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Her Homes and Her People.

PLEASANT PLACES IN THE GEM OF THE HIGHLANDS.

A HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE LIVELIEST MEMBER OF CINCINNATI'S SUBURBAN FAMILY

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NORWOOD.



TEN YEARS ago the Norwood of to-day was imperfectly pictured in the dreams of a few hopeful souls who believed that the future had much in store for a borough so abundantly blessed by nature.

The pasture lands and orchards of the last decade have disappeared and in their stead is a beautiful little city of homes linked to the Queen of the West by bands of iron and strands in which play the mystic forces of electricity. Norwood, among the youngest members of Cincinnati's sylvan family, has put on metropolitan airs. Her house is in order and she bids welcome to all of mankind who can appreciate what pluck and energy can do in the cause of progress.

There was a time, not many years ago, when Norwood was unknown—unnamed. The little hamlet of half a dozen houses on the Montgomery pike was called Sharpsburg. It never created much of a stir in the world. Farmers, on their way to and from the city, stopped at the old tavern, where there was cheer for both man and beast. Later on, the Marietta and Cincinnati railroad was built, and the primitive iron horses snorted and tugged up a heavy grade and stopped at the modest little Sharpsburg station that stood near where the Montgomery pike bridge is now located—a bridge that was built when the cut was made and travel rendered easier. Those whose memory long antedates the building of the railroad tell of the tavern on the hill—"Mother Goose's"—a famous resting place for the

travelers along the old pike that was then the highway between Cincinnati, Chillicothe and Columbus.

When in 1869 the William Ferguson farm, now known as Norwood Heights, passed into the hands of the late S. H. Parvin, Col. P. P. Lane and L. Bolles, "Sharpsburg" was the adopted name of the territory. That was not considered pretty enough for such a spot, and the suggestion of Mr. and Mrs. Bolles to call it Norwood (an abbreviation of Northwood) met with indorsement, and so it was that the suburb was christened anew. This was the first of the subdivisions; but the hopes and plans of those early projectors were not carried out. The William R. Phipps home, now occupied by A. O. Russell, was the only building erected, and the trend of improvement shifted from hill top to valley, when L. C. Hopkins appeared upon the scene. The dry-goods prince soon turned his interests over to A. G. Bofinger and Louis G. Hopkins, and to their careful handling of the property they had acquired is largely due the character of Norwood's population.

From none of the hills that skirt the Miami valley like giant sentinels is there revealed a panorama of greater grandeur than that which unfolds before the pilgrim who has scaled the heights that are crowned by the historic Indian mound. Here, upon soil that was doubtless sacred to the Red man, Norwood's water tower rises a monument to man's ingenuity and the progressive spirit of a suburb that has challenged the admiration of all its neighbors. It is a spot which must have been fashioned when Dame Nature was in one of her merriest moods. Directly before one, to the northeast, are the outskirts of Pleasant Ridge. From the balcony on the great steel tower the beauty of the scene is

inspiring. Village after village is revealed. Beyond the ridge one looks down upon Kennedy Heights—made prominent by Vonotte Inn, whose hospitable roof seems to cover the extreme edge of the plateau upon which it has been built.—The dual towns of Lockland and Wyoming are visible, with Reading close enough to warrant the claim that they are triplets. Of the hamlets on the heights College Hill is prominent. Across the valley, to the left, seemingly nestling at the foothills of the range beyond Millcreek, lie Hartwell, Carthage, Elmwood Place and Ivorydale. The square tower of the County Infirmary and the great dome of Longview Asylum loom up in the distance, lending an additional architectural charm to the scene; but those mighty walls echo the lamentations of disappointed lives and the ravings of others in whom the light of reason has been snuffed out. One sad thought to the fate of the unfortunates there and the eye sweeps onward. Bond Hill is a conspicuous figure in this magnificent picture. Far away the smoke stacks of the factories that have given Ivorydale international repute are visible. Ludlow Grove and Clifton are both in sight and between the two St. Bernard lies, the clustered tombstones glistening in the sunlight in the cemeteries there, proving a grim reminder that Death lies in ambush everywhere. The twin spires that rise heavenward, far in the distance, give St. George's and Corryville a distinctive place in the marvelous tableau. Then there is Mt. Auburn beyond. Sweeping away to the left is Walnut Hills, that great city of the hilltops, the Eden Park stand pipe showing clear against the horizon. The Observatory, at Mt. Lookout, is prominent, and as the eye is turned toward the East, Mornington, Oakley and then Madisonville are revealed. Between the borders of Norwood Park and Oakley there stretches the mile track of the old Queen City Driving Club.



THE SLANE HOMESTEAD, CAMERON AVENUE.

Linwood lies unseen beyond the Observatory, but her water-tank, elevated on stilts, is conspicuous. Kentucky's hills burst into view to the Southeast, but Bellevue is the only borough that can be seen in the old Commonwealth. Ft. Thomas, however, is within range of the naked eye, and with the glass the stars and stripes of "Old Glory" can be seen flying in the breeze above the square water tower at Uncle Sam's military station.

Norwood itself has an air that is almost metropolitan. There appears to be a continuity of pretty residences reaching almost to the gates of the city. The white streaks that line nearly every thoroughfare are the evidences in cement of the villagers' escape from the thralldom of bad walks. Hopkins avenue winds its way up the hill—the artery that leads to Avondale, for Avondale is a neighbor that is already touching elbows with the Ivanhoe folks. The Montgomery road is the watershed of the territory. Bloody Run, ugly only after a storm, flows peacefully along the outskirts of the town, keeping to itself the legend of the Indian massacre from which stirring tragedy, that dyed its waters with the life blood of pioneers, it gained the name that clings to it still. To the east runs Duck Creek, and the drive along its wooded banks is one of the most delightful in Ohio. Indeed, there is no break in the picturesque boundaries of "the Gem of the Highlands."

Norwood is essentially a village of to-day. There are less than fifty of the inhabitants who can claim a residence of a quarter of a century. Edward Mills' grandfather was host at the old tavern, now the Sanker House, but modern improvements have obliterated nearly all traces of the famous land-mark. Columbus Williams, Thomas Drake, W. B. Ferguson, Moses F. Buxton, Tunis Van Middlesworth, David Woolley, Justus Durrell and Rev. Jas. Lyon, famous as a farmer preacher, were among these pioneers. Some of their descendants have fallen in with the procession, and aided in the development

of their old farm lands; but the "new blood" has proved the bone and sinew of the movement. Uncle Joe Langdon took up his residence here in 1840, and he tells of an incident in making a clearing which recalled Mad Anthony Wayne's campaign. In the heart of an Oak tree he found buried a bullet that had been hidden there sixty-seven years!

In all of Cincinnati's suburban family there never was a more precocious youngster than Norwood. It early evidenced a disposition to leave the nursery in the possession of other sylvan sisters a bit older but not evincing quite so much pluck and energy. Before there were active steps taken toward incorporation, the town was fairly well lighted. Back in those old days every division of territory boasted of its improvement society. South Norwood was the pioneer in the movement, and East Norwood followed. Both West Norwood and old Norwood imbibed the spirit of progress and formed organizations that laid the foundation for Norwood's unprecedented growth. Private purse strings were loosened, and out of darkness there came light and the country path gave way to the plank walk. When it became necessary to put up a few new lamps, these pioneers turned out in force at night, dug their own post holes and planted the beacons. If individual effort



A. C. STROBEL, HARPER AVENUE

could do so much for Norwood it was evident that hopes for greater improvements lay in incorporation. The sentiment of the community was overwhelmingly in favor of such action, and on May 10, 1888, the efforts of V. C. Tidball and Casper H. Rowe, who had been named as agents for incorporation, were successful. Norwood celebrated her sixth birthday in 1894. Her record is one which must be a matter of personal pride to every soul within the corporate limits.

At the first municipal election—a special one, held August 6, 1888,—199 votes were cast. At the last presidential election in 1892, four years later, that total had increased over five fold, and 1,026 citizens cast their ballots at the two precincts. Dr. John C. Weyer was the first mayor chosen; John C. Masker, treasurer; Edward G. Bolles, clerk, and Gerald Kehoe, marshal. The first board of councilmen was made up of Fred. H. Mehmert, Edward Mills, William Leser, J. P. Zimmerman, sr., D. H. Whitehead and Anthony Weiland. The same town officers were elected in April, 1889, but Philip Moessinger, T. J. McFarlan, Robert Thompson and A. H. Pape joined Messrs. Zimmerman and Mehmert in council. During this administration, David Davis acted as solicitor and D. A. Hosbrook, as village engineer. In 1890 J. M. Thomssen was the only new

man to take his seat in council, Mr. Thompson retiring. During the year Mr. Moesinger resigned, and Richard Evans served during his unexpired term. Mr. Bolles also laid down his pen as clerk, and W. E. Wichgar succeeded him. The spring election in 1891 resulted in the choice of Aaron McNeill for mayor. Once more J. C. Masker was continued as treasurer, and Marshal Kehoe was re-elected. Wm. Damen was installed as sealer of weights and measures. W. E. Bundy, as solicitor, was warmly endorsed. Three new councilmen were chosen:

John Rolsen, J. J. Hess and W. S. Gwynn, and they acted that year with Messrs. Mehmert, Pape and Thomssen, this trio being returned to that body in April, 1892. The spring campaign in 1893 resulted in the renewed choice of Mayor McNeill and the return of all the old officials with two exceptions

—Albert Berger succeeded Mr. Gwynn in council and Benjamin Zeis was installed as Marshal, an office not in conflict with his duties as one of Norwood's finest. The first official abode of Norwood's fledgling fathers was decidedly modest.

All of the early ordinances were engrossed in a small apartment in the frame building on the pike, remodeled by the Knights of Pythias. The quarters soon became too cramped for comfort, and by an expenditure of \$5,200, Norwood Hall was purchased, and it has served the village for council chamber, court room and calaboose, while continuing in popular demand as a public hall. Possessing a splendid site the first steps have already been taken to give Norwood a new public building worthy of this picturesque and beautiful suburb.



R. P. BELL SMITH, FOREST AND SMITH AVENUES.



W. W. RUSSELL, MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD.

THE SERENADE OF PROSPERITY.

NOT long ago a green brakeman was being "broken in" on "the big road," as everybody calls the line over whose destinies Captain W. W. Peabody presides. The conductor, in the role of an instructor, was naming over the stations as the train rolled along. Norwood had scarcely been left behind when the raw knight of the lantern was coached to call out "East Norwood." Before he obeyed he gave a grunt of astonishment and remarked: "Why don't they build a union depot out here?"

There are no less than six railroad stations within the limits of Norwood and right on the borders, scarce a stone's throw from the northern boundary line, are two more—Harewood and Norwood Heights—on the Chicago branch of the Pennsylvania, while away to the south the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia Road contributes two others to the list—Elsmere, which is within the corporate limits, and Idlewild, which is just without. The C., P. & V., which so long carried the title of the "Coat, Pants and Vest," now rejoices over the romantic name of "The Pochontas Route."

Ivanhoe, Hopkins Avenue and Norwood Park are all on the Cincinnati, Lebanon and Northern, and East Norwood is the junction of that Highland Route and the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern. On every day, but the Sabbath, nearly seventy passenger trains pass through Norwood and all save a few fast expresses stop. With such grand railroad accommodations it is easy to account for the healthy growth in the army of commuters. The shriek of the locomotive's whistle so often heard only swells the chorus in the serenade of prosperity. The old Marietta and Cincinnati ran her iron arms into Norwood when it was Sharpsburg and farmland. Not until years afterward was the Northern built and since President George Hafer assumed the reins of government and Clay Rockwell has been in charge of the passenger service, suburbanites on the Highland Route have been taken care of in good shape. The B. & O. S. W. has made a feature of suburban expresses, and O. P. McCarty, the G. P. A., has not overlooked anything that would add comfort to the commuters.



J. R. LINDSAY, CAMERON AVENUE.

Not only has Norwood been extremely fortunate in the liberality of the steam railroads but there is another important artery of travel—the electric road on the Montgomery pike. From the day that the first car ran out over the Eden Park and Walnut Hills road to Norwood on the Fourth of July, not three years ago, the route has been a wonderfully successful one. Perhaps there was no one man in Norwood who did more toward having the road built than Fred Mehmert. Obstacles, such as the non-possession of a right of way, were removed by purchase outright of the pike. The Norwood Electric, with a five-cent through fare, proved a money maker from the start and it has been a large factor in the latter-day growth of the borough. When the first cars were put on, the name "Norwood" could not be found on their sides even with the aid of a microscope, but a man at Fountain Square to-day can pick out a Norwood car without requiring the services of an interpreter. There are prophets who aver that before many years elapse the electric will circle on over the bridge and down Harris Avenue through East Norwood to the picturesque Duck Creek road and thence find an outlet into Norwood Park and return to Montgomery Boulevard through South Norwood. That, however, is only a promissory note, but Norwood has a singular faculty of taking up all promissory notes and paying them off.



THE MAYOR AND HIS CABINET.

THE OFFICIAL FAMILY.

NORWOOD has been superlatively fortunate in the choice of her officers, and from the time of the selection of the first members of the village cabinet to the present hour, Dame Scandal has not had a chance to whisper a word of suspicion. Mayor Aaron McNeill, who is serving his second term, is a member of the law firm of Archer & McNeill. He is a Muskingum County product and has long been prominent in the councils of Ohio's Grand Lodge of the L. O. O. F. He is one of Norwood's heavyweights, physically and intellectually. In Cincinnati he ranks with the notably successful practitioners at the bar, and he has lent dignity, ability and an intense loyalty to "everything Norwood" to his administration.

John C. Masker is the only treasurer Norwood has ever had, and his term is likely to last as long as he is willing to hold the village purse-strings. Mr. Masker is a retired manufacturer, and for nearly a quarter of a century he was a member of the Cincinnati soap and candle house of B. H. Lamping & Co. He has proved a faithful officer in this, the first public position to which his fellow townsmen called him.

That is a characteristic trait of Norwood's officials. The great majority of them began their public careers in the great cause of Norwood's prosperity, and "the good of Norwood" is the length, depth, breadth and height of their political ambitions. W. E. Wichgar, who has served as clerk since 1891, is the right man in the right place. He writes a hand as clear as copper plate, and is with the American Book Company. W. E. Bundy, the solicitor, has proved to be an adept in diplomacy in handling the legal affairs of the village. Before he came to Norwood he served as Secretary of the Board of Elections of Hamilton County. Some years ago he edited the Wellston Argus and the Ohio Mining Journal. His father was killed fighting for the flag of the Union, and when he was



FREDERICK H. MEHMERT, MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD.

chosen Colonel of the Sons of Veterans of the State of Ohio, he acquired that title. He was also Province President of the Phi Delta Theta. Colonel Bundy's grandfather, H. S. Bundy, is the oldest man in Congress, and Norwood's solicitor is a man who is a credit to his ancestry.

There is just one member of the board of council who has served the village faithfully and continuously ever since its birth. That man is Frederick H. Mehmert. He is treasurer of the E. L. O'Connor Company in the shoe business in Cincinnati. He resides in the old L. C. Hopkins home on Montgomery avenue, and "Old Norwood" has kept him in his seat. Reference to his missionary efforts in behalf of the electric road is made in another chapter. A. H. Pape, East Norwood's representative, ranks next in time of service. He is now secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in Cincinnati; has been in the railroad business for fifteen years, and is the agent of the C. & O. During the life of the Davenport Club, he was a leading spirit, and at that time he ranked as one of the best of Cincinnati's amateur disciples of Thespis. West Norwood chose one of her favorite sons when John Rolten was sent to council, and since his advent in that body



JOHN TOLSEN

JACOB M. THOMSEN

A.H. PAPE

ALBERT BERGES

JOHN J. HESS

FRED MERMERT

West Norwood has kept pace with every other section of the village in the character and scope of the improvements made. In business, he is with Knight & Co., the Cincinnati printers and publishers, and is serving his fourth year as a "city father."

John J. Hess was called by the people on the Heights, and he did so well that they sent him back for a second term. He is a carriage builder and in business for himself in Cincinnati. Although born in Germany, only two years of his life was spent there. The Ivanhoe and Elsmere district has a worker in Albert Berger. "Good roads" is his hobby, and as a trustee of Millcreek Township, he rode it before he broadened his field of public endeavor. Mr. Berger is superintendent of the tank wagon system of the Standard Oil Company, and his acquaintance in Cincinnati is very large. He was in the oil business himself for ten years before joining forces with the Standard. Jacob M. Thomssen, who is with the Methodist Book Concern, was the only member of the old council who retired in the spring of 1894. He has been

deservedly invested with the title of "the father of the water works movement," and there was no man in the body more active in the early advocacy of action along that line than he. After four years of service in the board, he decided to retire and Edward H. Anthony was elected to succeed him as South Norwood's representative. Although Norwood has never been divided into wards, it is the custom to give each one of the six divisions of territory memberships in council. That is an unwritten law that has never been violated. Mr. Anthony is one of the best known of the old newspaper guard in Cincinnati. He has been on the Enquirer and Times-Star staffs, and now holds a position of trust under County Treasurer Leo Schott.

Colonel James M. Harper, the village engineer, was called to that post by council. He is well qualified for



O. P. COBB, NORWOOD AVENUE AND BEECH STREET

the duties of the important trust. For eight years he had served Hamilton County as chief engineer and he has been with various railroads centering in Cincinnati in the capacity of a civil engineer. The Ohio State Society of Surveyors and Civil Engineers, at its last session, complimented

Colonel Harper by an election to the presidency of that important body. Pleasant Ridge, noting the skill with which Norwood's engineering was conducted, has installed Colonel Harper in the same position there. Too young to enlist he was an assistant under his father, Surgeon Harper, who was attached to Gen. Sherman's staff. In Norwood, John A. Murray, Andrew Birnbaum and Edward Heyl hold the rank of assistant engineers.

Marshal Benjamin Zeis has been titled "Norwood's Chief Deitsch," for he embodies the duties of a member of "the finest" with those of the position to which he was elected. He is a faithful official, and lives in his own cozy home on Lawrence avenue.

A PEEP AT TIONESTA.

Nestling on the banks of Duck Creek is "Tionesta"—Norwood's stock farm. This tract is owned by A. C. Strobel and in charge of Charles Hazenfield. It has a half-mile track for training purposes. The trotting star of the stud is the Wilkes-Simmons' stallion, Clifford Wood, who has the blood of Hambletonian and Mambrino Chief in his veins. Colonel Ren, a French coach horse, with a good pedigree, and the Major, a Shetland pony, are also noted.



EDWARD H. ANTHONY.

THE PLATTING COMMISSION'S TASK.

DURING the summer of 1889 the Platting Commission was established. The idea was fathered in council by Philip Moessinger, who had had experience on a similar board in Cincinnati, and

foresaw the grand possibilities of a similar work in Norwood. Dr. N. I. Scott, Prof. J. U. Lloyd, Dr. John C. Weyer, J. C. Masker and the late William Weghorst were in the commission when organized August 15th. On account of other business engagements J. U. Lloyd tendered his resignation March 22nd and Dr. N. I. Scott March 16th, 1891; the resignations being accepted by council. The remaining members were dissatisfied with this course, not wishing to lose both members at once, and in consequence Mr. Lloyd reconsidered, but, owing to professional duties, Dr. Scott found it impossible to serve. Mr. Lloyd was reappointed March 23rd, 1891. Mr. Samuel T. Harris being appointed at the same time in the vacancy occasioned by the retirement of Dr. Scott. The board at once organized by electing J. U. Lloyd chairman and Mr. W. G. Betty secretary, the former secretary, Mr. W. E. Wichgar, having been elected village clerk. Mr. Weghorst died September 20th, 1891, and council November 2nd, 1891, appointed Mr. J. I. Shearer to the vacancy, since which time to date there have been no further changes. Of the great work done by the commission, Chairman Lloyd says:

"The duties of the Platting Commission have been arduous and often perplexing. They found the territory embraced in the newly incorporated village to be composed of farm lands, isolated dwellings and subdivisions interspersed. No endeavor had been made by land dealers to serve the public at large. Each property owner disposing of land had planned to get the greatest possible return from his acreage regardless of the adjacent territory. Streets had been wantonly blocked by houses or town lots, or curved to follow insignificant natural ravines or angled to turn field corners to suit the will of the interested owners. In some cases long narrow strips of ground were purposely left between subdivisions to prevent communication, while in

others the streets laid out by one party had been artfully blocked by another. These 'monuments to man's cupidity,' irreparable in many cases, remain yet in many places an object lesson staring in the face of a growing people.

Norwood, with her crazy quilt topography, speaks volumes unanswerable in favor of a county platting commission with sweeping power that shall protect the generations that are to follow against the selfishness of those who have no higher duty to the land they live in than to make the most money out of their evanescent heirloom or speculative possessions. The Platting Commission of Norwood has attempted with only moderate success to establish order out of this chaotic condition. The various sections have been united in the best manner possible under the circumstances, but still unsatisfactorily. A few streets have been widened, others straightened, a few vacated and many new streets platted. Council heartily entered into the work and numbers of condemnations of property for street purposes to benefit the community have followed.

In some cases innocent purchasers of lots have unavoidably been sufferers, the original owners having reaped their harvest and relieved themselves of the obligation. The village has also suffered from this selfishness of speculators and inheritors of farm lands, and the tax payers of Norwood are collectively paying for property that should have been donated for street purposes."

"Well, Tom, how are you getting along at school?" asked Prof. J. U. Lloyd one evening of his young hopeful. The face of the youthful botanist clouded up and he grumbled: "I'd do pretty well if it wasn't for music. They ask a fellow such foolish questions."

"What are they?" inquired his father."

"Why to-day they wanted to know how many turnips there were in a bushel!" was the astonishing information given. It took time to solve the

mystery. The unusual query which had caused the mischief was: "How many beats are there in a measure?"

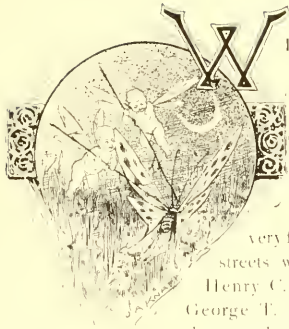


J. U. LLOYD.



PHILIP MOESSINGER.

THE BOARD OF IMPROVEMENTS.



WHEN this body cast its official eye over Norwood on the 14th of April, 1890, the date of its first meeting, very few presentable streets were sighted.

Henry C. Meader and George T. Hipple were the members who acted

with the mayor, but Mr. Hipple resigned and William Windhorst was chosen to fill the vacancy. The miles of improved streets and the legislation for the many more that are to follow is the overwhelming evidence that may be offered to prove the grand works this little board endorsed. Both gentlemen are as well and favorably known in Cincinnati as they are by their neighbors. Mr. Meader is the Fourth street ticket broker, and Mr. Windhorst, the dry goods merchant, a member of the Main street firm of Hohnstedt & Windhorst.

Charles A. Ewing succeeded Mr. Hosbrook as village engineer, in May, 1891, and he held that position until June, 1892, when it was deemed advisable to secure a resident engineer, and James M. Harper was installed and is still serving in that capacity. During Mr. Ewing's term the character of street improvements were changed from primitive form to those more befitting a municipality, and by the end of the season, \$135,000 worth of improvements had been made under his supervision. Some idea of the wonderful strides Norwood has made in the cause of good streets and good sidewalks may be gained from figures which embraced the completed improvements up to March 15, 1894. Engineer Harper reported that at that time 13 $\frac{3}{10}$ miles of streets had been macadamized at a cost of \$335,100.46, the average per foot being \$2.83.26. Park and Floral avenues are the only asphalt streets in the village, and they cost \$62,259.59 to build a stretch of 1 $\frac{3}{10}$ miles, the



H. C. MEADER

average being \$7.87 a foot. Brick streets are not common and only $\frac{1}{10}$ of a mile has been improved in that manner, at a cost of \$6,282.36, or an average of \$5.61.43 a foot. Of cement walks there are 18 $\frac{3}{10}$ miles laid at a cash cost of \$93,281.59. The average expense to property owners was \$6.49.30, or a few mills less than half a dollar a foot.

At the time this report was made the improvements of Forest, Harris, Elm and Hudson avenues were under way. With the

completion of the former thoroughfare came the solution of a problem that proved a puzzling one for several years. Forest avenue is now the connecting link between South and East Norwood. The ravines that divided these divisions of territory have been filled up, and one of the most important of all the great public works in the life of the young village successfully accomplished by pluck, energy and perseverance. At the same time the water works jubilee takes place it is fitting for East Norwood to claim her younger sister for a bride. All is ready for the wedding.

ORGANIZED LABOR.

Organized Labor has strong foothold in the village. One of the best institutions of the kind in the land is Local Union, No. 705, of the Carpenters and Joiners of America. There are seventy members in good standing and their officers are: President, C. D. McCullum; Vice-President, J. F. Mount; Recording Secretary, E. Pickard; Financial Secretary, A. L. Bell; Conductor, Wm. Kohler, and Warden, J. G. Reese.



WILLIAM WINDHORST

THE WATER WORKS PLANT.

AFTER months of agitation the people of Norwood were called upon on November 8, 1892, to vote upon the question of building a water works, and those in favor of the enterprise carried the day by the decisive figures of 491 for and 136 against. The failure of ballots to arrive at the Ivanhoe precinct was responsible for the loss of at least one hundred votes. The issue of \$50,000 worth of bonds was indorsed, but the work was of such a character that another appropriation of the same amount was asked for and granted by the people. Mayor McNeill appointed as water works trustees Dr. Alfred Springer, George Puchta and Henry Rikhoff, and under their direction has the enterprise been carried out. The nominees of the mayor were confirmed by council and afterward elected unanimously by the suffrages of their fellow towns-



DR. ALFRED SPRINGER, MONTGOMERY AND MOUND AVENUES.

men. Mr. Rikhoff's term expiring, he was re-elected to the long term at the April election in 1894. At a time

when panic threatened the land Norwood went boldly ahead, and during the darkest days of 1893, hundreds of men were at work on the water works contracts at the building, laying the mains, and at the foundry, where the steel plates for the tower were welded into shape. A test well was sunk to bed rock, fifty feet below the low water mark of the Ohio river at Cincinnati, distant on an air line three miles. The result proving satisfactory, the trustees felt justified in acquiring the property on Harris avenue, at the junction of the B. & O., S. W. and C. L. & N. railroads, and erecting the plant on that site. Six wells were drilled there. The first one, experimental, is six inches in diameter; the other five are eight inches each. The



J. M. BAKER, STEWART PARK

wells form a rectangle, the longer sides of which are in the direction of north to south, the six-inch well being in the southeastern angle. The wells are all twenty feet apart. The strata passed through, while sinking the six wells, did not change in character much as compared to each other, showing that the strata remained alike within the 800 square feet, wherein the wells are located. Following is a synopsis of the strata: Yellow clay, 32 feet; blue clay, 33 feet 5 inches; occasionally striking dolomitic limestone; very fine sand, 31 feet 7 inches. At the depth of 156 feet from surface a 4-foot layer of coarse sand or fine gravel was pierced; then came another stratum of fine sand to 230 feet. The sand then suddenly became coarser until at 233 feet larger pieces of gravel were encountered. Rock bottom was struck in first well (east) at 237 feet 8 inches; second (west), 235 feet 10 inches; third (east), 236 feet 3 inches; fourth (west), 236 feet 4 inches; fifth (east), 234 feet, and sixth (west), 232 feet. This shows that the trend of the formation is slightly south. The water rose to 95 feet from the surface. One litre of water contains 0.266 grams solids or about one part in 3760. The solids consist principally of



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bi-carbonate of lime and magnesia, also sulphates thereof amounting to 25% of the solids. Traces of bi-carbonate of iron are present. No albuminoid ammonia nor nitrates nor nitrites were found.

The plans for the entire system were prepared by Gustav Bouscaren, whose ideas, carried out, have given Norwood a plant excelled by no other town in the State of Ohio, or elsewhere. Mr. Bouscaren acted as consulting engineer, and J. M. Harper, as supervising engineer of all the work.



THE OLD DURRELL HOMESTEAD, NOW THE RESIDENCE OF DR. C. W. TIDBALL

The pumping station is an eyeable structure and is built of Norwood pressed brick, with freestone trimmings and slate roof. The engine room, 28x53 feet, contains the cistern, centrally located between the wells and the two pumping engines. The boiler room, 28x35 feet, affords ample space for the location of a vise, bench and machine tools sufficient for ordinary repairs. The floor of the house is of concrete, with a hard finish of Portland cement, and stands 191 ¹/₄ feet above low water mark in the Ohio river. The smoke stack, built of pressed brick, is 3 feet 6 inches inside diameter and 74 feet 6 inches high above the floor of the engine house.

The force from the pumps to the reservoir connects with the distributing system through a 12 inch main near the engine house, and through an 8 inch main at the reservoir. By the closing and opening of the proper valves the town can be supplied in three ways. First, by the direct pressure from the pumps, the reservoir connection being closed; second, by the reservoir alone, the force main being closed either at the foot of the hill or at the reservoir; third, by the reservoir and pumps together, all valves being opened. The distributing system has been arranged on the gridiron plan, water flowing to all points from two directions, which insures a good supply to the fire hydrants and avoids cutting off the supply for more than one block at a time for repairs. The boilers and pumping plant were manufactured and put in by the Laidlaw Dunn-Gordon Co., of Cincinnati. The style of pumping engine is what is known as the compound condensing, duplex pumping engine, and at a speed of 20 revolutions per minute, their aggregate capacity is 1,081,000 gallons in 24 hours. The high pressure cylinders are 11 inches



HARRY C. HEY, NORWOOD AVENUE

in diameter; the low pressure cylinders, 18½ inches in diameter; the water cylinders, 10¼ inches in diameter, and all of them 12 inch stroke. It is fitted with 10 inch suction and 3 inch discharge openings, and is rated as a high grade pumping engine. The steam cylinders are lagged with asbestos and Russia iron with brass bands to prevent condensation of steam. It is fitted with an

automatic pressure regulating governor to control the speed of the pump in accordance with the pressure on the mains, and which stops the pump absolutely should all the valves on the water main be closed. This prevents undue pressure and breakage. The water end is fitted with an automatic pressure relief valve also to prevent undue pressure. The pumping engine has all the necessary revolution counters, combination pressure gauges, showing foot of water column and pounds of pressure on the pumping engine, and is fitted throughout in a first class manner. Connected with this, to give greater economy, is the Hill surface condenser with du-



WILSON CROSS, NORTHSIDE AVENUE

plex air pump, into which the exhaust of the engine passes, and through brass tubes in which the discharge water from the main passes and condenses all the steam used from the pumping engine, the air or vacuum pump being used to take this condensation, pump it into the heaters, and also to create a vacuum in the steam cylinders of the pumping engine.

There are also four vertical pumping engines on the four deep wells, the sizes of the engines being 10 inch steam cylinders with 36 inch stroke, having top brass balancing plungers 4 3/4 inch diameter. These cylinders operate the working pump cylinders, which are placed down in the well about 225 feet below the engine room floor. These deep well pumping engines draw the water from the deep wells and pump it into a steel cistern

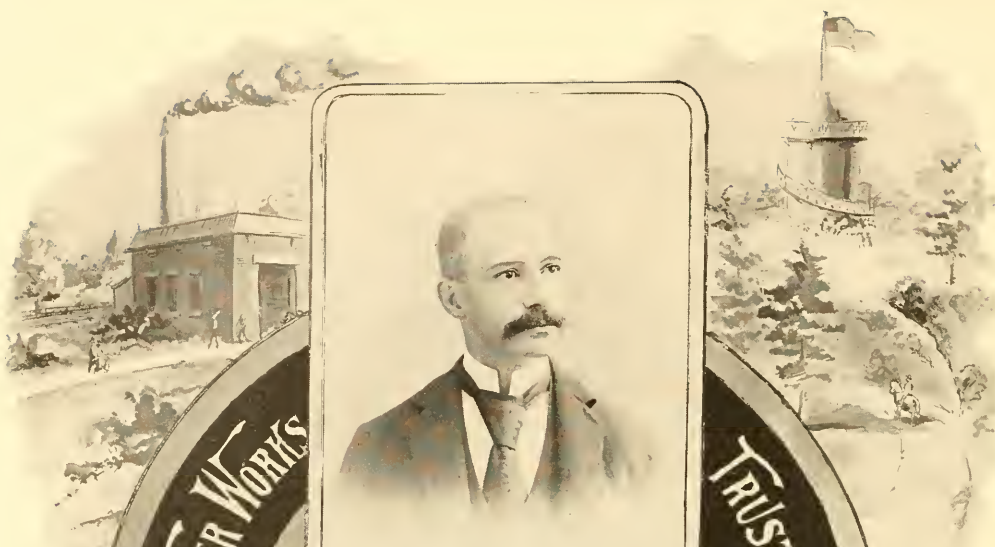


J. A. KNAPP, OAK STREET.

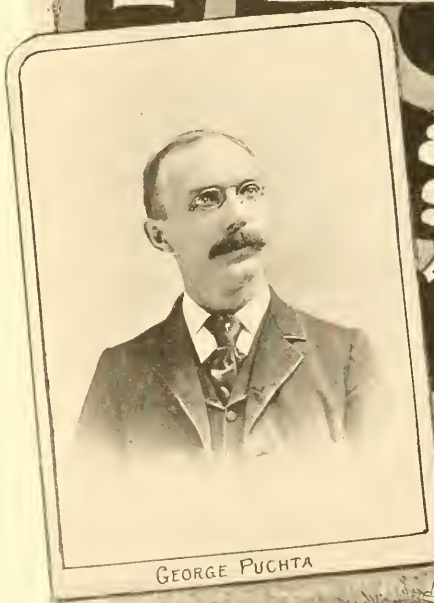
20 3/4 feet 3/4 in diameter and 7 1/2 feet high, of 35,294 gallon capacity, resting upon the concrete floor of the engine house. From this the large pumping engine takes its supply and forces the water from the mains to the town and reservoir, 2030 feet distant through 12 inch pipe. The steam pump feeding the boilers is of the well known duplex type. It is used for taking the hot water from the heater, and forcing it into the boiler. There is also another vertical air pump which is used for priming the air vessels of the large pumping engine with air. There are two boilers which are rated at about 125 horse power each. They are 66 inches in diameter by 18 feet long, and are known as horizontal stationary return tubular boilers. Each boiler has 64 lap welded tubes, 4 inch diameter. The boilers have been thoroughly inspected by the insurance companies, and are insured for \$500 each for one year. They are trimmed with all the latest appliances, such as gauges, pop valves, water columns, and such like, to insure their safety. Each boiler is guaranteed to be of sufficient capacity to supply the six deep well pumps, and one compound engine working together, with a consumption of coal of each guaranteed not to exceed 566 pounds per hour. The heater and purifier is of the latest design, and is used for the double purpose of heating the water and purifying it before it is pumped into the boiler. All the pipe work and valves are of the best make.



JOHN B. HART, FOREST AVENUE



DR. ALFRED SPRINGER

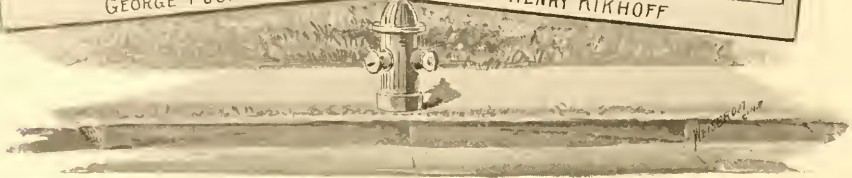


GEORGE PUCHTA



HENRY RIKHOFF

1894



Everything has been done to insure a first-class plant. The setting of the boilers is of the latest design, to insure economy and prevent smoke.

On the brow of East Norwood Heights rests the water tower, 100 feet in height. A stairway from Forest avenue makes it easily accessible from East Norwood, and the carriage drive out Montgomery and Mound avenues is a pleasant one. The great steel structure was put up by the Stacey Manufacturing Co. The foundation or substructure upon which the water tower was built, rests upon the natural heavy yellow clay and at a depth of eleven and one-half feet beneath the natural surface, rock was found in alternating strata of from three to six

inches in thickness. The bottom of the water tower rests upon a concrete foundation five feet thick, composed of four parts screened broken stone, two parts of sand, and one part of cement used promptly after mixing, and put down in four inch layers and thoroughly rammed with wooden rammers. The surface of each layer was well sprinkled with water before the next one was laid. The coping upon which the outer perimeter of the tank rests consists of Bedford (Indiana) stone, each block being two feet wide,

two feet thick, and four feet long, laid and bedded in cement. The upper surface of the coping was accurately dressed to fit the cylindrical slope of the water tower. The brick work in the valve chambers was laid in cement mortar. No broken brick were used, only where it was necessary to effect a closure. The steel plates used in the construction of the tower were made by the Corbin Steel Company of Pittsburg, Pa., and are of 6,000 pounds tensile strength, tough, ductible, uniform in quality, and

incapable of tempering. The material was subjected to the most rigid and exacting inspection and tests, and in all instances conformed to the very strict requirements of the specifications. The trace of phosphorus discovered in the metal did not exceed $\frac{8}{100}$ of one per cent. The elongation of the eight inch test pieces was in no instance less than twenty-five per cent. Pieces were bent cold and doubled flat on themselves without exhibiting a sign of fracture on the convex side. Tests were made by bringing the steel to a uniform bright cherry red heat, then cooled in water, and bending around a circle of a diameter equal to $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the thickness of test pieces without showing fracture. The bottom plates $\frac{5}{8}$ inch thick, laid with butt



LOUIS T. RESSIO, STATION AVENUE



DAVID DAVIS, MENTOR AVENUE



THE WATER TOWER.

joints and connected together with $\frac{1}{4}$ inch rivets and joined to the first or lower course of side plates with $6 \times 6 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inch angles. This bottom course rests upon a bed two inches thick of a dry mixture of two parts of sand and one of Portland cement, evenly spread over the concrete foundation. The bottom of the water tower is firmly secured to the stone coping by 32 anchor bolts $\frac{7}{8}$ inch thick by 12 inches long passing into the coping. The first or lowest course of side plates is $\frac{7}{8}$ inch thick; second course is $1\frac{3}{16}$ inch; third course, $\frac{3}{4}$ inch; fourth course, $\frac{5}{8}$ inch. These four courses are butt jointed and secured by butt plates $17\frac{3}{8}$ inches wide and of the same thickness as the plates in the corresponding course, and all are triple riveted with rivets one inch in diameter. The fifth course is $\frac{9}{16}$ inch thick; sixth course, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch; seventh course, $\frac{7}{16}$ inch; eighth course, $\frac{1}{8}$ inch. The ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth courses are $\frac{1}{16}$ inch thick. All of the plates are butt jointed and secured by butt plates, double riveted. Around the upper edge of the top course are placed two rings of $3 \times 3 \times \frac{3}{8}$ inch angles, one on the inside and one outside of the plates, all securely riveted together, thus forming with the angle



JOHN C. MASKER, MILLS AVENUE

and channel of the roof cornice over the gallery a trussed ring calculated to resist the wind pressure on the roof and on the side of the tower for a depth of three feet.

The water tower is surmounted with a roof, framed with channel and trussed rafters that are rigidly connected with two tiers of horizontal struts, and a forged ring at the top and bolted to the flange angles at sides of the tower. This frame is covered with steel plates $\frac{1}{8}$ inch

thick—the whole forming a true cone. A substantial ornamental stairway, three feet wide, encircling the tower, is attached to wrought iron brackets, securely bolted to the sides leading to a gallery or promenade around the tower, placed eight feet below its cylindrical top. The tower is built with a factor of safety of four for the hydrostatic pressure and a factor of three, for a wind pressure of 250 pounds per square foot. Measurements accurately made after the tower was completed showed it to be exactly forty feet inside diameter at both bottom and top. A plumb suspended from the center of the roof system to bottom of tower varied $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch from the exact



CHARLES JEFFRE, FRANKLIN STREET

center. The body of the structure is painted a stone, the roof a moss, and the stairway a slate color. Its dimensions and color render it a very conspicuous object for miles in every direction. The bottom or floor line of the tower is $378\frac{1}{4}$ feet above low water in the Ohio river, and is $186\frac{1}{4}$ feet above the bottom of the small tank in the pumping house, giving a static pressure of 81 pounds per square inch on the flow level of the engine house, and a pressure of 105 pounds per square inch from the overflow line, 56 feet and 8 inches above the bottom. The capacity of the tower to the overflow line is 532,666 gallons which affords four days' supply for a population of 5,000 at the rate of 25 gallons per head, or a supply for eight one and one-quarter inch fire nozzles working simultaneously for five hours.

The builders of the pumping station were W. H.



WILLIAM WINDHORST, WILLIAMS AVENUE

Stewart's Sons. Hebert and Lapeyre were the contractors who laid all the mains, using the output of the Addyston Pipe Works. The Bourbon Brass and Copper Works furnished all the fire plugs and brass valves.

It was Dr. Springer who was the earliest advocate of the steel tower. That was a pet project of his. Others made pleas for the direct pressure system, but the doctor's arguments prevailed, and he and his views were indorsed when he was named for the long term and afterward chosen chairman of the water works board by his associates in that body. Around the tower a driveway has been made. The tract upon which the tower is built, with the Indian mound, is destined to be one of the most popular little parks in the village—the mecca for all sight-seers who are searching for the point of vantage from which is afforded the grandest views in the county. The mound, a relic of redskins, long since called by the Great Father to the Happy Hunting Grounds, is held in trust for generations to come. The great knoll is crested with forest trees, and its guardians, under the terms of the dedication, are pledged to make no excavations save for the planting of trees and shrubbery. That mound crowned the heights for ages; now it modestly lies in the shadow of the modern giant of steel. No more romantic spot for the location of the tower could have been found in or about Norwood.



THE TOWN HALL, MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD

THE MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD.

THERE is scarcely a man within the confines of the borough who has not constituted himself a member of the "Welfare Committee." Everybody is for Norwood, but in November, '93, council, by resolution, invested eleven citizens with that official title. E. W. Jewell, was chosen chairman by his associates, A. H. Pape, H. C. Meader, J. M. Thomssen, Albert Berger, W. E. Wichgar, John W. Hall, C. J. Kemper, J. U. Lloyd and Charles E. Prior. Mayor McNeill was also made a member ex-officio, and W. S. Gwynn was pressed into harness as secretary. No specific duties have been outlined for the Welfare Committee, but any project that argues well for Norwood's good will fare well at its hands. There was much rejoicing when the Seventieth General Assembly passed the original bill for the Montgomery Boulevard, under the provisions of which J. U. Lloyd and Albert McCullough were appointed as trustees to supervise the improvement. Legal obstacles were thrown in the way and when the Supreme Court declared the bill unconstitutional the missionaries in the cause of a good road simply inaugurated another crusade. The Welfare Committee nursed the new bill which was fathered by



ALBERT MCCULLOUGH

Fred Mehmert, Benjamin Franklin Smith and Edward Mills was entrusted the work preliminary to the building of the finest thoroughfare in the State of Ohio.

Senator Ramp and it passed both houses—not, however, before the Hamilton County delegation had been bumped, thumped and dumped over the road destined to be a boulevard eighty feet wide, which was a compromise between the advocates of a 100 foot and a 70 foot road. From Walnut Hills to the B. & O. S. W. bridge the improvement is to be either brick or asphalt, as the County Commissioners select, and from that point to Mound avenue the roadway will be macadam. A "Committee on Push" was appointed during the week the bill became a law, and to Henry Feldman, W. W. Russell, Col. W. E. Bundy, Dr. W. H. Hopkins, Harry Q. Cleneay,

ONLY A POSTAL NOTE.

When Norwood was chosen as the name of the new born village Uncle Sam got out his pen and scratched Sharpsburg off his list of post offices in Ohio. Congressman Bellamy Storer interested himself in behalf of a free postal delivery for his constituents in this part of the First District, and he succeeded. Three carriers, one mounted and two afoot, make one delivery and two collections every day. There are two stations within the corporate limits of the borough. J. L. Vine is the clerk in charge at Norwood Station and Leo Dressel holds the same rank at the Idlewild Station. Money orders can be obtained at either office and both are special delivery stations.



EDWARD MILLS, MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD.

THE SEWERAGE DISTRICTS.

THE natural drainage of Norwood was fairly good, but the question of sewerage—such an important adjunct to health—was entrusted to a commission in June, 1890. The problem before them was no easy one, but the village has been divided into four districts, the first of which, in East Norwood, was completed in the fall of 1893, at a cost of a little over \$20,000, and of that assessment more than \$5,000 was paid in cash. Elsmere comprises one of the other districts, South Norwood a third, and Central and West Norwood the fourth. A. H. Singer is the only member of the original commission who is not now on the board. He was succeeded, after his short term, by Peter Bettinger, who is chairman. The others are Edward Mills, N. Ashley Lloyd, J. M. Harper and L. Bolles, who fills the post of secretary. The commission has labored earnestly and unostentatiously, and their work, of vital interest to the whole community, has been well done. The system of sewerage is one that has been tried and not found wanting. The dry or separating system which was adopted is in successful operation in several eastern cities. Automatic flushing basins are located at the mouth of each lateral sewer, and under those conditions it will be impossible to choke up subterranean drainage. The plan of Chas. A. Ewing was the one indorsed and under his administration, the great work now in progress was outlined.

THE FOES OF DISEASE.

"I've got to go to Columbus," declared Dr. C. W. Tidball, during the Columbian year, as his eyes rested on



N. ASHLEY LLOYD, HARRIS AVENUE

a call for a convention of the health officers of the State. "Columbus!" observed his young son, Leonard, with an emphasis which echoed mingled doubt and wonder. "How can you go to Columbus? He's been dead a thousand years!"



DR. C. W. TIDBALL

The health of Norwood is a matter of concern to all its inhabitants. Since the establishment of the Board of Health, with its iron clad regulations, which are enforced without fear or favor, infectious diseases have not run riot through the village. Dr. Tidball has filled the post of health officer ever since the creation of the board. His report for the year of 1893 showed fifty eight deaths—a rate less than twelve in one thousand. W. E. Zoller and C. E. Page are the only ex members of the board, which now consists of Mayor McNeill, ex officio; W. M. Langdon, chairman; S. S. Kingery, J. A. Knapp, W. A. Stewart, A. A. Brown and Dr. R. C. Wintermute.

The board, in all its good works, has met with the hearty co-operation of the sons of Esculapius who practice in the borough. There are now ten resident physicians.

THE VILLAGE OF CHURCHES.

LONG before Norwood was dignified with a place on the map the good people of the country roundabout were wont to meet on the Sabbath, at the old school house, and there, regardless of creed, worshiped the Giver of all things. When Henry Ward Beecher was a young student at Lane Seminary, he used to walk out and join in these services of praise. With the building of the public hall that edifice afforded opportunities for the formation of embryotic congregations. To-day, Norwood is aptly called "The Village of Churches." Within its boundaries nine sanctuaries are to be found and the spires of Norwood's spiritual temples rear their tapered heads toward heaven, monuments to a higher civilization and evidences of the abounding faith in the Great Ruler of the Universe.



GEORGE F. DAVIS, JR., WILLIAMS AVENUE.

Harris Avenue M. E. Church.

THERE were just thirteen in the little class organized on the 31st of August, 1884, by the Rev. Dr. D. J. Starr, presiding elder of the East Cincinnati district. Rev. G. L. Tufts, of Pleasant Ridge, took pastoral charge, and the following January the first step toward a church home was taken, when Mrs. E. Woolley, John Woolley and his wife, Mary M. Woolley; John Arnold and Mrs. E. V. Arnold deeded the lot upon which the sanctuary now stands. Ground was broken in August, and on May 2, 1886, the church was dedicated. Rev. E. T. Lane was then pastor, and since that time the spiritual welfare of the congregation has been directed by the Rev. George E. Johnson, R. E. Olive, Thomas J. Harris, Wesley H. Benham, J. A. Easton and George V. Morris. The latter is now in charge. There are eight organizations within



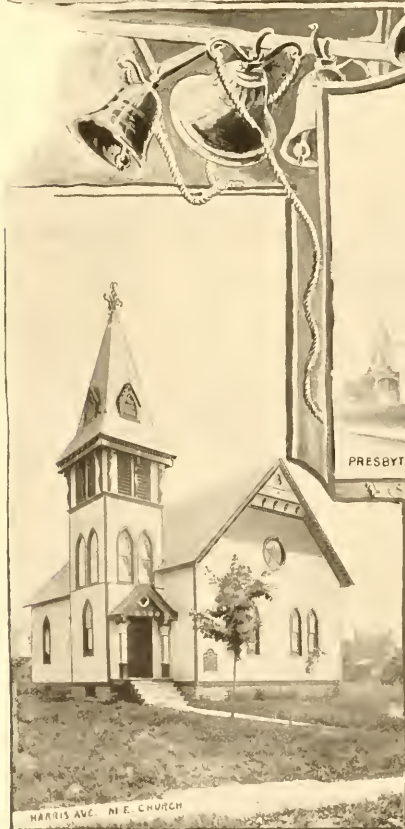
EDWARD C. POAGE, NORWOOD AVENUE AND MARION STREET.



IVANHOE M.E. CHURCH



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



HARRIS AVE. M.E. CHURCH



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (EPISCOPAL)

the church, the Sunday School, Missionary Society, Ladies' Aid Society, Taylor Chapter of the Epworth League, Junior League, Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies, and the Y. M. M. I. From the original number the membership has increased almost tenfold. The present officers are: Trustees—S. B. Markland, W. E. Zoller, A. F. Hollis, A. P. Hagemeyer, W. G. Williams, F. W. Richter, Wm. Borchherding, Jas. Neely and B. Frank Smith. Stewards—S. B. Markland, W. E. Zoller, A. F. Hollis, A. P. Hagemeyer, W. G. Williams, J. E. Hattersley, D. G. Zoller, Henry Borchherding, George Shumard and C. M. Flowers. D. G. Zoller, Recording Steward and Treasurer.



YONONTE FALLS

St. Elizabeth Congregation, Catholic.

THIS congregation, one of the youngest in the diocese of Cincinnati, has shown a most remarkable growth. Its beginning may be dated to 1884, when, on the 31st of August, a number of Catholics met at the home of J. S. Bokenkoetter, and there founded St. Joseph's Catholic Men's Society of Norwood. Messrs. Mills and Kline do-

nated some lots on Carter and Mills Avenue to the Society for church purposes. On October 6, 1884, the Society was incorporated. By the collection of dues, subscriptions, raffles, and other means, a sufficient sum was realized for the building of the first church, which contained under the same roof, school rooms and parsonage. This building was dedicated on October 3, 1886, by the Very Rev. Vicar General J. C. Albrinck, Ph. D., who, in turn with

others thereafter, celebrated mass on Sundays only, the congregation being small in numbers, and therefore unable to support a pastor regularly. The first resident pastor was the Rev. Jos. Stoepelmann, who took charge on the 23d of October, 1887. School was first opened in December of that year. In January following, Father Stoepelmann became seriously ill, and remaining so for some months, Rev. J. B. Kayser succeeded him as pastor. Under his charge the congregation experienced great growth. In the fall of 1888 a large, roomy parsonage was erected. In 1890 the old church was enlarged, so as to accommodate the increased membership. The new addition was blessed by the Most Rev. Archbishop W. H. Elder, on the 12th of October. In the latter part of 1891, Rev. Kayser,



E. W. JEWELL, JEFFERSON AVENUE.

owing to failing health, went to Europe. As his successor the present rector, Rev. Jos. M. Quatmann was appointed.

The congregation numbers now over 225 families. The splendid schools are in charge of eight Sisters of Charity.

Societies attached to the church include St. Joseph Men's, St. Leo Men's, St. Raphael Young Men's, St. Elizabeth Married Ladies, Young Men and Boys' Sodality, Young Ladies and Girls' Sodality, St. Cecilia Young Ladies' Guardian Angel Altar Society, Young Men's Literary Association, and Third Order of St. Francis.

The excellent choir is directed by J. Meyer. The present trustees of the congregation are: Messrs. H. H. Buse, P. J. Schneider, H. Rikhooff, John Rolsen, F. Lamping, Theo. Lohman and Joseph Espel.

The Ivanhoe Methodists.

EARLY in 1885, a little mission Sunday school was started by Rev. C. W. Kishell at the Ivanhoe depot, and from that organization grew the Ivanhoe M. E. Church.



C. E. PAGE, CAMERON AVENUE.

In June of the following year the modest little sanctuary, on Ivanhoe avenue, was dedicated, and since that time Revs. G. W. Hammell and A. B. Austin have been in charge. The Rev. D. C. Washburn is the present pastor. Within the church are the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the Ladies' Circle, the Willing Workers and the Epworth League. The Trustees are W. C. Baker, W. H.

Buckton, A. J. Chapple, David Davis, John G. Evans, C. E. Lindsay, E. W. Jewell, C. E. Prior and Dr. John Weyer. The Stewards are A. J. Chapple, W. R. Locke, A. C. Roberts, G. W. Hund and Dr. Weyer. The congregation is a growing one and they are proud of a bright interior.

The Presbyterian Congregation.

THE May Queen witnessed the birth of the Presbyterian Church in 1887, but before an organization was effected there were meetings directed by Rev. J. H. Walters, who came down from the Ridge. While pursuing his studies at Lane Seminary, Rev. Jeffrey J. Hopkins was invited to take the infant



CHARLES W. EVANS, JEFFERSON AVENUE.



ST. ELIZABETH
CATHOLIC CHURCH



EVANGELICAL REFORMED ZION CHURCH



ST. JOHN'S

The Berean Baptists.

THE Berean Baptist Church was organized in Cincinnati, June 15, 1873, with a membership of thirteen, John E. Morris being called to the pastorate. The people met at first in Hopkins Hall, corner Fourth and Elm streets, and subsequently in other places in the city. In October, 1877, Mr. Morris resigned and went to Chicago, but in 1880, he was recalled, and remained with them until the fall of 1893, when he again responded to a Chicago call. Since that time services have been conducted by the members. In the autumn of 1890, the church held its meetings in Mission Hall, Norwood, when in May, 1891, Joseph G. Langdon generously donated the lot on Smith avenue on which stands their edifice. The church now,

having a pleasant home, is taking on new life; the membership and congregation steadily increasing. They have a flourishing Sunday-school of which Philip Straus is superintendent. The building cost \$6,500. The trustees are W. M. Langdon, Philip Straus, Louis Schneider, Alvin Langdon and Francis Wenz, Mr. Wenz being also the builder.



S. P. LANE, CARTER AND HOPKINS AVENUES.

Mission of the Good Shepherd.

THE Mission of The Good Shepherd of the Episcopal Church was organized June 23, 1891, at the residence of Geo. H. Bonte, with a membership of fifteen, and an executive committee composed of Geo. H. Bonte, J. S. Tompkins, Geo. Faylor, H. L. Harrington and J. R.

Lindsay. Very soon thereafter an eligible lot, corner of Ashland and Monroe avenues, was secured for \$1,100, and during the following year a church building was erected thereon at a cost of \$4,000.

The first service was held in the new building early in July, 1892. Services had been held previous to this time at the residence of Mrs. Trivett. A membership of fifteen reached nearly six times that number before the first year ended. Sunday school was organized upon the opening of the chapel with some twelve or fourteen scholars, and there are now over fifty on the roll. A Woman's Guild was organized, and has done, and is still doing, valuable service. The young ladies of the congregation have organized under the



LOUIS WINKELMAN PINE STREET

name of the Daughters of the Good Shepherd, and are doing efficient altar service. A striking feature of the service is a vested choir of boys, organized and well trained by T. W. Timberlake. The present members of the executive committee are T. W. Timberlake, president; H. Jacobs, secretary; H. L. Harrington, treasurer; H. P. Hathaway, Geo. H. Singer and Thomas B. Estep. Rev. John Haight is now and has been since its organization the rector of the mission.

Zion's Congregation.

THE Evangelical Reformed Zion Congregation is quite young. Rev. Joseph L. Schatz preached his first sermon at the Town Hall in October, 1891. On January 10th, following, the congregation was organized with thirty eight members. Ground was broken on the 4th of July for the church, at the corner of Sherman and Walter avenues, and it was dedicated some months later. The building cost about \$8,000. The societies are the Ladies' Aid, the Sunday-school, the Choral and the Building Aid. The trustees include Fred Wulf, Henry Burdorf, George A. Degen, H. H. Landwehr and August Strumpler. The



CHARLES H. GOOREVE, NORWOOD AVENUE.

congregation contemplates the erection of a parsonage. The building committee, aided by several of the trustees, numbered among its members H. W. Kahle, L. Krayczyceck, C. Miller, F. Kleine and the pastor. Being a mission the congregation receives from the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church \$500 annually towards the support of the pastor. Rev. Mr. Schatz says: "The

church, standing squarely on the Scriptures as the word of God, is entirely Christian in principle, but for that very reason also purely democratic (in the sense of popular), and liberal in rule and practice. The church practically rules itself, without any foreign interference, abiding within the reasonable limits of the constitution. Its gates are wide open to all, its heart is large and warm enough to receive and welcome all, who, like those of old, have their delight in the house of God, and hear Him gladly."

St. John's, on the Hill.

Mission Hall witnessed the birth of the youngest congregation of them all, and on March 27, 1892, St. John's Evangelical German Protest



ROBERT LESLIE, PROJECTOR OF FLORAL AVENUE

ant Church was planned. A week later Rev. H. Haefner delivered a sermon to a handful of the faithful. Henry Feldman presented the lot on which their brick edifice is built, on the Montgomery pike, half-way up the heights, and during the fall of 1893, the church was dedicated. The structure, with its furnishings, cost about \$15,000. Antique oak and yellow pine blend nicely in the finishing. The weather-vane on the hexagonal steeple is 173 feet above the floor, and the spire of St. John's is prominent from almost any point in Norwood. Rev. J. Paul Reinhart was the first pastor. Rev. J. B. Erben, the second, was called to the German Protestant Orphan Asylum, in Mt. Auburn and Rev. H. Tessmer is now in charge. The trustees include John Niehaus, Henry Feldman, Philip Voelker, John Hess, Edward Kink, William Schueler, Casper Geischel, William Schmidt and George Hoffman.

A GRAND FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

DIGEST of figures, while not especially picturesque, are sometimes what the nuts and raisins are to an eight-course dinner. No other suburb in the land can make



J. U. LLOYD, HARRIS AVENUE.

such an exhibit as this series of annual reports which "boiled to the very marrow," shows how Norwood has grown in importance in the short space of five years. The first money which Norwood's treasurer ever handled was a loan of \$250 advanced by Edward Mills, to liquidate certain early claims!

The Treasurer showed for the year ending March 17, 1890:	
Receipts	\$ 4,341.76
Expenditures	2,651.46
Balance	1,690.30
Year ending March 21, 1891:	
Receipts	26,054.83
Expenses	25,497.87
Balance	556.96
Including 1890's balance	2,247.26
Year ending March 21, 1892:	
Receipts	\$151,401.19
Expenditures	140,843.51
Balance	\$ 10,557.68
Year ending March 20, 1893:	
Receipts	\$222,247.56
Expenditures	213,692.43
Balance	\$ 8,555.13
Year ending March 20, 1894:	
Receipts including '93 bal	\$377,191.88
Expenditures	312,620.40
Balance	\$ 64,571.48



WM H DICKS, NORWOOD AVENUE

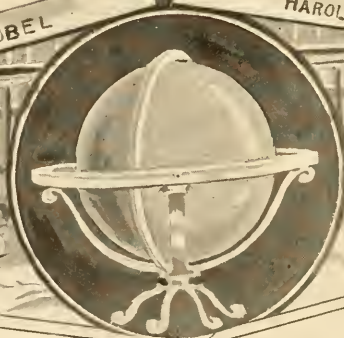
Is there any other village in Ohio that can show an increase of over eighty times their total of five years? Norwood is not weighed down with any oppressive public debt. The outstanding liabilities at the beginning of 1894 were \$159,200, including the water works, village portion of sidewalks, public building and general purpose bonds. In addition to these debts there were \$394,672.32 worth of 6% bonds in circulation, the principal and interest payable from special assessments on property improved.



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NORWOOD'S SCHOOLS.



FEW less than a score of years ago the jurist who now occupies the bench in the Probate Court of Hamilton County, was the young pedagogue in charge of the Sharpsburg district school. While Howard

Ferris was teaching there he devoted his spare moments to the study of the law, and he abandoned his first love to enter the bar. When named for a judgeship the old Sharpsburg teacher received one of the largest majorities ever given a man in the county, and his re-election was even a greater triumph. Judge Ferris is not the only man identified with Norwood's early school system who has attained distinction. Captain Joseph B. Foraker, twice called to the Governorship of Ohio, once filled the modest but responsible position of school trustee in a district that has become one of the proud boasts of Norwood—a system as nearly perfect as it is possible to be. Prior to 1868 this was a sub-district under the control of the township trustees, but on February 18th, of that year, under a new enactment, a call was issued and signed by



CHAS. H. WEISENFELDER

Moses E. Buxton, Jas. A. McKee, Wm. B. Ferguson, Jas. G. Langdon, John N. Siebern, Wm. M. Langdon, Columbus Williams and Jackson Slane for an election to vote on the establishment of a separate school district. Ten days later the election was held, and Columbus Williams, Jackson Slane and John N. Siebern were chosen members of the first independent board of education of what was afterwards known as the Sharpsburg district, now Norwood special school district Nos. 3 and 17 of Columbia and Mill-creek Township. The

census at that time showed sixty-one families in the district, with a total population of three hundred and eighteen and a tax duplicate of about \$350,000. The building then

was a plain, two-story brick structure, on the site of the present central house. One teacher at a salary of \$537.50 per year and a music teacher who drew \$35.10 made up "the faculty." The following year, 1870, an extra teacher was employed, but the music item was chopped off. Until 1884 Sharpsburg plodded slowly along and two teachers were sufficient. The present term of 1894 sees fifteen teachers employed in looking after the welfare of Norwood's rising generation!

It was in 1884 that \$7,000 were expended for a new four-room building on the pike, but three years later it was again necessary to branch out, and \$9,000 were spent in remodeling the building and adding four rooms. The district is a large one, covering three and a half

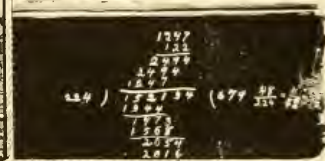


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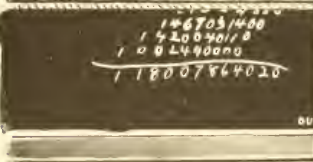


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NEWBODIES



NORWOOD'S SCHOOLS — The Old and the New.

square miles of territory and in the face of the rapidly increasing population in all directions, it was deemed wise to provide for the primary pupils at centers nearer the extremely distant portions of the district. The Board of Education submitted to the people the proposition to divide the district for primary purposes, and establish branch schools therein. This was approved in March, 1891, by authority to issue \$20,000 worth of bonds, which was afterwards increased to \$25,000. The district was divided exactly in the middle, good lots were secured near the center of each division, and handsome, substantial brick buildings erected on each lot. The plans were made for four-room buildings, but only two-room, with the halls, were erected at that time. The total cost of that improvement was \$25,016.91. These buildings are now full, and under authority granted April 17, 1893, the additions of two rooms to each building have been made, which, with the necessary improvement to the grounds, furniture, heating apparatus, etc., cost \$10,000. In 1892, the action of the Platting Commission, in straightening Elm street, east of Montgomery pike, left a strip of 17 feet, south of school house, which was leased by



W. C. HATTERSLEY, JEFFERSON AVENUE.

the Board of Education, with privilege of purchase at \$2,000. This carries with it the title to school house, 20 feet wide which has since been vacated, thus adding 37x300 feet to the central school lot, and making that lot 187 feet wide by an average depth of about 240 feet, and worth, with the improvements, about \$35,000. The retiring board included: President A.C. Strobel, Harold Ryland and A. P. Hagemeyer. During their term an unfeeling court ousted W. S. Cadman and Chas. H. Weisenfelder, after finding that five constituted an illegal board. The people after ward voted to increase the membership to six. A.C. Strobel retired in April, 1894, and at that election, Harold Ryland, Jno. P. Zimmerman, Jr., E. R. Edwards, Chas. H. Weisenfelder and A. W. Maurer were chosen. Mr. Hagemeyer is now president, and Mr. Zimmerman, treasurer. Prof. C. M. Flowers has been the principal for several years, and the corps of teachers include Sallie G. James, Jennie B. Stickney, Carrie A. Hunt, Isabella Kolbe, Julia A. Kolbe, Elizabeth Fairweather, Kate Cullen, Julia Ryan, Mrs. Lida Shaw, Orma Martin, Honora Jacob, Eleanor Storch, Louise Wilts and Nellie O. Burnett.



S. S. KINGERY, FLORAL AVENUE.

THE REALM OF MELODY.

IN a musical way, Norwood takes rank above that attained by many cities of greater pretensions. When the South Norwood Musical and Literary Society was in the midst of its successful social reign a few years ago, no one could foresee that semi-occasional instrumental contributions to the programmes prefaced the organization of such an institution as the Norwood Orchestra. There were just six gentlemen who first met in October, 1889, and two months later they made their orchestral debut. G. W. Gale was the chosen leader of the musical pilgrims who, during the spring of 1891, gave their first series of concerts, a feature that has since been an accepted part of the winter life of Norwood's artistic folk. At that time the membership had been trebled, and a piano was added to the possessions of the orchestra. Max Grau conducted some of the full



A. Y. REID, PARK AVENUE.

rehearsals in 1891, but Mr. Gale again wielded the baton during the second successful series of concerts. Prof. William A. Rickel, once one of Gilmore's cornet soloists, now directs the orchestra, filling the role of instructor as well. The brilliant success of the past years was repeated during the musical seasons of 1892 and 1893. Since the inaugural of these winter concerts, Miss Laura Weiler, Mrs. Lulu S. Hodson, Miss Georgia Myers, Miss Mina Betscher, Edwin J. Webber, Herman Bellstedt, William A. Lemon, A. F. Maish, John Rueble and T. J. Sullivan have appeared as soloists, for the orchestra's motto is "Norwood deserves the best."

George Puchta is president of the orchestra; A. C. Strobel, vice-president; Harold Ryland, secretary, and Wallace M. Davis, treasurer. Here are the members and the instruments they play: 1st



F. D. BARKER, PARK AND FOREST AVENUES.

violins, George Puchta, Chas. H. Gogreve and Ferd. Bas-son; 2nd violins, Harold Ry-land, John L. Vine and Chas. Stratelmeyer; Viola, A. H. Pape; Cello, A. C. Strobel; Bass, Frank Seebach; Flute, G. A. Hattersley; Clarinet, F. H. Schmidt; 1st cornet, H. A. Pugh; 2nd cornet, J. G. Evans; French horns, H. E. Knauft and M. Roof; trom- bone, W. M. Davis, and drums, A. McBrair.

The Norwood Choral So- ciety is an organization that, during its brief existence, has promised well. There are now over thirty voices en- rolled. G. P. Evans is the director of the society, and the accompanists are Miss Jo- sephine Davison, piano, and Miss Bertha Estep, organ. Dr. N. I. Scott is president and George H. Singer, Secre- tary and treasurer. Upon the executive board with Director Evans are Thomas B. Estep and H. L. Harrington. The Choral Society covers the vocal field as thoroughly and artistically as the orchestra does the instrumental.

West Norwood numbers among its institutions the Cornet and Reed Band and instructed by Henry Klein, the members have long made their presence known. In



CLINTON C. ROBINSON ASHLAND AVENUE

new uniforms they make a splendid appearance, and there is no telling how many budding Gilmores may be in the ranks of these faithful members: John W. Hall, president and manager; E. R. Hall, Dallas Hall, William Cordes, Louis Cordes, Joseph Mersch, John Cordes, Edward Cook, Edward S. Ross, Emil Robertson and Claude Munyon.

The Field of Sport.

RECRUTS to the ranks of the cyclists are multiplying rapidly, and with the completion of the boulevard, Norwood will be a great magnet for the riders of the steeds of steel. The Norwood Wheelmen, organized during March, 1894, with W. S. Gwynn, president; John Doug- lass, secretary and treasurer; Clar- ence Evans, captain; Walter Stewart, lieutenant; W. C. Hattersley, John Franklin and Robert E. Edmondson, board of governors. There are enough ladies who ride the cycle to form a club of their own, if they so elected. There are plans afoot for a new athletic club and gymna- sium. Norwood's fields are dotted



N. ASHLEY LLOYD.

the youth of the village can turn out as many ball players as any other town of its size. There are several teams among the young swatters of the pigskin. Norwood had a berth in the old Highland League a few years ago, and the Norwoods of 1893, managed by "Pie" Cross, created something of a stir in the world of amateur base ball players. There is a regiment of the genus "fans" in the borough, and "Norwood Day," a festival at League Park in compliment to Ash- ley Lloyd, the treasurer of the Cin- cinnati Base-Ball Club—a Norwood man—was a novel event, in 1893, that created no little comment all through the circuit. There is no other village in the State that can surpass Norwood in its rural posses- sions and advantages for out-of-door amusements. Its broad, level fields

are inviting to all seekers of pleasure.

LODGE ROOM SECRETS.



IN masculine Norwood there is many a trousered soul who has tiptoed home in the dead hour of night, and whispered in softly mellowed, explanatory tones, "I've only been to lodge." There are mortals in the village who have trodden the heated sands of the desert in the marches of the Syrian Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. There are Masons who have never ventured beyond the mysteries of the blue lodge and others who have not stopped this side 32° in the Scottish Rite. You can find Knights Templar, Knights of Pythias, Odd Fellows, Grand Army men—in fact, representatives of almost every secret order extant, and when it comes down to royalty, there are Princes of the Orient in numbers sufficient to fill all the spare rooms in Windsor Castle.



W. S. GWYNN.

if the Queen ever felt lonesome and yearned for blue-blooded company. Although Norwood has no body of Free and Accepted Masons, she is the bone and sinew of Pleasant Ridge lodge, and contributes largely in officer-ing that organization.

The Knights of Pythias were first of the secret orders to gain a foothold in Norwood, and August 15, 1888, with twenty-nine charter members, Cowan Lodge, No. 304, was instituted by P. C. Dr. W. G. Hier, of Mistletoe Lodge at Madisonville. William Leser was the father of the lodge and first Past Chancellor. Those who have "passed through the chairs" since that time and now wear the jewel of Master of Work are W. S.

Cadman, W. G. Betty, C. H. Gogreve, Geo. Failor, Henry Hoffman, A. S. Hoffman, John P. Zimmerman, Jr., F. E. Zimmerman, W. W. Russell and Frank J. McHugh. From quarters in the town hall Cowan Lodge soon moved into a cozy home of its own, at the corner of Montgomery pike and Harris avenue. Cowan is one of the "live" lodges of Ohio, and the knights have given a series of entertainments that have been features of Norwood's social life. The officers are H. P. Smith, C. C.; Chas. J. McQueety, V. C.; John L. Vine, Prelate; Dr. J. C. Cadwallader, M. of A.; E. R. Edwards, I. G.; John Butler, O. G.; J. P. Zimmerman, Jr., M. of E.; Chas. H. Weisenfelder, M. of F.; E. W. Hoffman, K. of R. and S.; W. S. Cadman, W. W. Russell and J. P. Zimmerman, Jr., trustees.

The Royal Arcanum is represented by Norwood Council, No. 1331, which was instituted January 3, 1891, by Deputy Grand Regent Edward Buck, assisted by Deputy Supreme Regent W. J. Loveys. There were just



J. M. HARPER, CROWN STREET.

two dozen charter members who had been recruited largely by Winfield S. Gwynn. That gentleman was chosen Regent. The Royal Arcanum's growth has been slow, but a net gain shows that the council is moving in the right direction. The present officers are: Past Regent, Harold Ryland; Regent, William S. Cadman; Vice-Regent, Dr. John J. Winn; Orator, John J. Hoover; Guide, Lewis D. Gebhart; Chaplain, George W. Stacey; Warden, Joseph Lammers; Sentry, Ernest Dietz; Secretary, Winfield S. Gwynn; Collector, Chas. H. Weisenfelder; Treasurer, Jacob G. Graf; Trustees, John Franklin, Harold Ryland and William S. Cadman.

The National Union is represented in the borough by Norwood Council, No. 488, which was instituted with forty-nine charter members, April 10, 1891. They, too, meet at Pythian Hall, and present roll of officers include: President, P. S. Bettinger; Ex-President, Geo. Faylor; Secretary, Geo. H. Hindersman; Financial Secretary, W. J. Carey; Treasurer, A. E. Lowry; Speaker, F. A. Zimmerman; Chaplain and Medical Examiner, Dr. J. C. Cadwallader, and Usher, Chas. Kerner.



SAMUEL T. HARRIS, HARRIS AVENUE AND DUCK CREEK ROAD.

MACK, THE DOG PAPER CARRIER.

There is one pretty smart resident of East Norwood whose name is not in the directory. "Mack" is a regular boarder at the Hoffman Leser abode, and he is one of the most remarkable members of the borough's canine contingent. Mack is a water-spaniel, and while he was a pup he was trained in the way that all good dogs should be.

"Mack's" education was not considered finished until he was taught to run around to the front porch every morning, take the paper and carry it into the house. "Mack" was an apt pupil, and made a successful news agent, but he was too ambitious. After he had completed the task regularly assigned to him, "Mack" got into the habit of skirmishing around the neighborhood and collecting all the newspapers in sight, until the Leser-Hoffman house resembled a distributing agency. It was easy enough to teach "Mack" to be a paper carrier, but it took perseverance to break him of a habit that for a time created an impression that East Norwood sheltered one of those pests—the man who gets up early and "borrows" somebody else's newspaper.



A. O. RUSSELL, MOUND AVENUE.



Bird's-eye View of Norwood from George A. Turrell's Subdivision.

TWO BRIGADES OF FIRE FIGHTERS.

THREE days after the home of P. J. Schneider was burned to the ground — March 9th, 1890,—the West Norwood Volunteer Fire Brigade took the field. While the ruins of that house were smoldering, a subscription list was passed around and the nucleus of the fund to equip the fire fighters thus secured. The original membership roll of twenty-five has been doubled, and the brigade continues its valued services as a stock company. The shares are but \$1.00, and the dues \$1.20 a year. To the original building on Mills avenue two additions were made. The village provided a good engine and hose reel. The ladder wagon was made by "the boys," for in the ranks are carpenters and blacksmiths. West Norwood's ladies presented both a bell and a flag to the brigade. Although out of the bailiwick the brigade distinguished itself at the St. Moysius Asylum conflagra-



NORWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE CO., No. 1

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tion. Early on the morning of March 6th, 1894, there was an alarm given and West Norwood brigade turned out

only to witness their own headquarters in flames. The origin of the fire was a mystery, and nothing was saved. The Aaron McNeill only whetted the appetite of the fire king, and engines, hose and ladder were all licked up. The loss was \$2,000, and the committees on rebuilding got to work at once. Upon the site of the destroyed engine house a two-story pressed brick edifice will prove the handsomest home the brigade ever claimed. The second floor will be converted into a hall. Contracts for the reconstruction were let the last week in March and the work commenced at once. The officers during the late administration were: President, Joseph H. Lammers; Vice President, Edward R. Hall; Secretary, Chas. H. Weisenfelder; Treas.



MEMBERS WEST NORWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE.

urer, William Jannings; Trustees, Frank Kunnebaum and Henry Jostwerth; Chief, Wm. Damen; Lieutenants, John W. Hall, Chas. Woertz, Oliver Devoe and Charles Bielefield.

A blaze that wiped out several houses on the pike above Harris avenue led to the organization of Norwood Volunteer Fire Company, which is located in a cozy engine house on the main thoroughfare, below the bridge. They are well equipped for battling with the flames. T. J. McFarlan, President; Dr. C. W. Tidball, Vice President; W. G. Betty, Secretary; and W. M. Langdon, Treasurer, are on the executive roster. The Chief is Philip Voelker, and John W. Tidball is his assistant. Thomas Morgan and Dr. J. P. Hastings are the lieutenants, and Charles Anderson, Custodian of the engine house. The members are divided into three companies, viz: Hose, Dr. W. H. Hopkins, Captain; Richard Dallman, Assistant Captain; John Hereksall, William Hereksall, Ben Bick and William Hummell. ENGINE, Henry Gade, Captain; Gus Seave, Assistant Captain; George Hagene, George Hulsman, Harry Price, William Higdon and August Hindersman. HOOK AND LADDER, Edward Wiggeringler, Captain; John Smith, Assistant Captain; Edward Stout, Philip Fiefferman, John Gloss, William Ellington and Charles White. The water works, with the fire-plugs so well distributed about town, affords Norwood much greater protection from fire than it ever before enjoyed.

FOUR OF THE PEOPLE'S BANKS.

WHERE there is thrift you find "the people's bank"—building associations. There are four in Norwood. The Norwood is the pioneer, and its organization dates back to November 14, 1882. For years Col. P. P. Lane was its president, but the present roster of officers is as follows: President, J. C. Masker; Vice President, W. M. Langdon; Treasurer, Edward Mills, Secretary, W. S. Johns; Assistant Secretary, F. C. Hock;



HENRY FELDMAN, CARTHAGE AND LAWN AVENUES.

Directors, H. W. Kahle, John L. Vine, J. H. Brachmann, A. N. Siebern, J. F. Metz, and T. H. Ringgold.

The Norwood Improved was the second building and loan company to invade the growing field, and it brought push and enterprise with it. Chas. E. Page is President; D. G. Zoller, Vice-President; F. A. Zimmerman, Secretary; A. P. Hagemeyer, Treasurer; Directors, Walter Carey, L. E. Van Ausdol, Hugo E. Knauff, A. R. Hollis, Theodore Trimble, T. J. McFarlan and W. G. Williams. Semi-annual dividends are paid and weekly meetings held at the Hopkins Avenue depot, a structure by the way that was built and is owned by residents of South Norwood.

The Elsmere Building and Loan Company was incorporated in July, 1890, by E. J. Morten, H. P. Hathaway, W. F. Collins, Geo. F. Cook, Edwin McMillen, A. W. Eastman, A. A. Brown, Wm. Kerantz, Wm. Thorburn, H. Ensign and A. Malleboe. The officers are David Davis, President; F. G. Leiman, Vice-President; E. J. Morten, Treasurer; Ferd Fromlet, Secretary; G. A. Willard and H. P. Hathaway, Finance Committee.

The West Norwood Building and Loan Association is officered by Dr. J. J. Winn, President; Chas. H. Weisenfelder, Vice President; Peter J. Schneider, Secretary; L. H. Gebhart, Assistant Secretary; Gustav Schmidt, Treasurer, and Benj. Overmohl, Fred Schmidt, Wm. Jannings, Oliver Devoe, Joseph Espel, John Rolsen, H. Jostwerth, H. Rikhoff, and Fred Dankel, Jr., members of the board.

In the development of Norwood these Associations have played no small part.



MARSHAL BENJAMIN ZEIS.

SOCIAL WHISPERS.



NOT upon a time Norwood was heard from at least once a year, and that was when the Lowell Literary Society annually celebrated the birthday of the Father of his Country. "The Lowell" has passed away and its library was willed to the school. The social life of Norwood plays no inconsiderable part in its history. The Chautauquans have had a successful career. There are several reading, euchre and whist clubs, while assemblies at the hall have been features of the winter programme. The Sorosis Club is composed solely of young ladies, and is officered so: Miss Etta Hill, president; Miss Ida Bosse, vice-president; Miss Carolyn Tidball, secretary, and Miss Grace Reynolds, treasurer. The Physical Culture Club, instructed by Miss Carrie Goldsmith, is one of the latest organi-



JOHN P. ZIMMERMAN, JR.

zations, with Mrs. J. A. Knapp, president; Mrs. J. U. Lloyd, vice-president; Mrs. Ren Mulford, Jr., secretary, and Mrs. H. C. Meader, treasurer. The Entre Nous Literary Society is made up of young folks who recently essayed amateur theatricals. The officers are W. G. Bertoli, president; Miss Josie Davison, vice-president; D. E. Woolley, secretary; Miss Daisy Ross, treasurer; Harry R. Frick, censor, and Miss Lotie Failor, editor of the Budget. The younger devotees of Terpsichore pay court to the goddess of the dance at the "semi-occasional" of the Comus Club, which claims as its members, W. G. Bertoli, president; Fred Mc-

Queety, vice-president; George A. Sawyer, secretary and treasurer; John Barker, Joe Barker, James Berry, Bush Parker, Walter Stewart and Harry King.

Tennis is one of the most popular pastimes of the summer. The Ideal Park Club has its courts on Forest avenue, and the Norwood Club's grounds are on Beech street, in East Norwood. There are several private courts where the knights and ladies of the racquet love to congregate. Fred McQueety is president of the Ideal Park Club; Charles Chesley, vice-president; George A. Sawyer, secretary; Harry R. Frick, treasurer, and Will G. Bertoli, superior. The Norwood Tennis Club's officers are President, Harry C. Hey; Vice-President, O. P. Cobb; Secretary, Miss Minnie McGechin; Treasurer, George H. Singer; Executive Board, A. W. Hoffman, W. G. Betty, E. C. Poage, A. H. Singer and Ren Mulford, Jr. The Ivanhoe Tennis Club, with courts on Carter street, is the latest in the field. A. L. Brown is President and Supervisor; Elmore Bosse, Secretary, and Rudolph Butz, Jr., Treasurer.



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NORWOOD'S PEOPLE.

THE intense personal interest that the majority of her people take in the welfare of Norwood is doubtless responsible for the commanding position she holds among the suburbs to-day. It was at Columbus, before a meeting of a legislative committee, that Judge John P. Murphy, a resident of Bond Hill, eloquently referred to Norwood as "the Chicago of Hamilton County!" Among Norwood's 6,000 people to-day there are men in all walks of life, some prominent in city and state, and some whose fame is international. Louis T. Rebisso, the sculptor, is one of these—the artist who gave to Washington her statue of General J. B. McPherson; to Chicago, the grand tribute to U. S. Grant, that adorns Lincoln Park, and whose statue of General William Henry Harrison will be one of Cincinnati's art treasures, is one of Norwood's citizens. There are merchants, wholesale and retail; attorneys, real estate men, insurance men, railroaders, contractors, commercial tourists, newspaper people, teachers—in fact, almost every department in life's busy hive is represented in Norwood's happy family, and the great majority of them own their homes. The American Pharmaceutical Association came to Norwood for its president, and Prof. J. U. Lloyd has occupied that position not only once, but twice. He was first called to that post of honor in 1889, and in 1891 the summons was repeated. Prof. Lloyd has an international reputation, and is one of the most famous scientists in the world. He has extensively contributed to the literature of his profession, and has made discoveries that have worked revolutions in the school of medicine. One of his works, "The Chemistry of Medicines," is an accepted text-book in many medical colleges, and with his brother, C. G. Lloyd, a botanist of note, he is now completing an exhaustive volume on "The Drugs and Medicines of North America." He has for years occupied the chair of Chemistry in the Eclectic Medical Institute and that of Pharmacy in the Cincinnati College of Pharmacy.



LOUIS T. REBISSE



DR. JOHN WEYER.

"Eighty Distinguished Pharmacists of the World" is the title of a volume recently published at Geneva, Switzerland, and John Uri Lloyd was one of three Americans whose life-work was revealed within its pages. Alexander Fries, head of the chemical firm of Alex. Fries & Bros., is an other resident who has gained fame abroad, as well as success at home. He is a descendant of a long line of professors of mathematics, and was born in Germany. Mr. Fries spent twelve years of his early life in Spain, devoting most of his time to wards developing the country traversed by the Sierra Morenas. His efforts were crowned with such success as to warrant the Spanish Government's official recognition by elevating him to Knighthood and bestowing upon him the high order of Carlos III, an honor heretofore attained by but few foreigners. Dr.

John Weyer, who was Norwood's first mayor, was once president of the Ohio State Pharmaceutical Board, as well as president of the Cincinnati College of Pharmacy. He was the projector and is the president of the Retail Drugists' Insurance Association, which at once found and filled a field of usefulness. R. P. Bellsmith, whose camera has played no little part in the preparation of this work, is "one of the people." The Photographers' Association of Ohio elected him president, and at the World's Fair, in Chicago, the blue ribbon of a first prize winner was draped over the exhibit of this Norwood fotografer. The Western Union Telegraph Company is represented in the persons of Manager Charles E. Page and Cashier Allen B. Clark, while several attaches also help to swell Norwood's census. A. H. Singer, the agent of the United States Express Company, and Peyton R. Keim, recently installed as General Superintendent of that company, at Cincinnati, give the "transportation department" a good standing in the roll call of vocations. The disciples of Blackstone who dwell within Norwood's gates, include A. McNeill, O. P. Cobb, W. G. Williams, David Davis, Edward Moulinier, C. E. Prior and A. A. Brown. The latter

founded "The Lumber Worker" and has been editor of "The Furniture Worker" for ten years past. The fraternity of railroad men has several bright representatives, including C. O. Ryan, the General Passenger Agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio; Charles Patton, the Paymaster, and Frank Zimmerman, General Baggage Agent, of the Queen and Crescent, and H. E. Sawyer, Master of Transportation of the C. L. and N. George H. Singer, of the B. & O. S. W., doubtless possesses one of the finest collections of rare etchings, artists' proofs in the West. Good libraries are numerous, evidence that the literary tastes of Norwood's people are good. Samuel T. Harris, one of the pioneers of the borough, has a magnificent collection of valuable tomes. He is an ardent lover of horse flesh, an owner of fine stock, and his writings have been of such a nature, that in the trotting world he is accepted as an authority upon the horse. It is a singular coincidence that the editors of both Cincinnati Catholic weekly newspapers reside at Norwood—Joseph Schoenberger, of the Catholic Telegraph, and Bruno Ritter, of Die Wahrheitsfreund. Hugo E. Knauff, L. E. Van Ausdol, John Findlay, Richard Hempel and C. L. Cist are recruits from the banking districts. William J. O'Neill, of the Board of Elections, is one of the "new comers." Rev. J. A. Markham, who is pastor at the Bethel, that great mission on the river front, claims Norwood for his home, and Rev. A. J. Reynolds, one of the veterans of the Presbyterian church, resides on Smith avenue. Rev. T. J. Harris and Rev. J. R. Powell are other resident ministers. J. A. Knapp, another contributor to the beauty of this work, upholds the dignity of the artists. It is meet perhaps to observe that H. E. Farny painted several of his celebrated Indian pictures while he made his home under the Strobel roof "on the heights." Four ex-members of the State House of Representatives are "at home" here—W. M. Day, Chas. Jeffre, W. H. Dicks and Alf. Korte. The First Regiment O. N. G. can muster several officers inside Norwood's picket lines, including Major W. M. Day, Major Ed Lovell, Captain W. J. O'Neill, Jr., Captain Sam Kennedy and Lieutenant Davidson, of Company F. Dr. A. W. Klein, Assistant Surgeon Light Artillery, O. N. G., also possesses the Norwood countersign. Resident real estate men are



SAMUEL T. HARRIS.

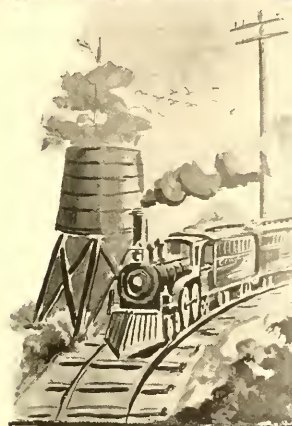


E. W. JEWELL.

numerous, for many of them have emphasized their belief in the virtue of their own arguments by building themselves in the "Gem of the Highlands." John G. Brotherton, of the Elsmere Syndicate; Robert Leslie, Philip Moessinger, J. W. Fritsch, W. H. Dicks, the Barkers, Henry Feldman, Harry Q. Cleneay and S. P. Lane are only a few of those on the roster. "Uncle Hob" Leslie has always been active in the development of the borough. Floral avenue, the handsome thoroughfare which runs from Norwood Park through Elsmere, was his pet project, and when it was built (the great avenue in South Norwood) a tribute was paid to his genius. E. C. Poage and Henry C. Meader are prominent members of the family of ticket brokers, and both travel as far as East Norwood every day. They are known all over the land. Among pedagogues there are W. S. Cadman, former superintendent of Norwood's schools, now at Ludlow Grove, H. H. Brader, of Woodward High School, and Prof. J. C. Kinney. There is a veritable hive of shoe men in South Norwood, including H. M. Richardson, George T. Hipple, C. C. Robinson, A. A. King and Wm. Hirsch, while B. Albers resides in the west borough. Harry M. Lane, the mechanical engineer; Chas. H. Gogreve, Secretary of the Wholesale Grocer's Association of Cincinnati; John B. Maas, of Traxel & Maas; Fred Witte, of the Moerlein Brewing Co.; S. B. Markland, who has been Grand Marshal of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for six years; Seth Hayes, the Director of the Cincinnati Society of Natural History; A. Y. Reid, H. L. Harrington, with Ault & Wiborg; W. E. Kreidler, Secretary of Superintendent J. M. Dawson, of the John Shillito Company; S. S. Kingery, of the Kingery Manufacturing Company; W. C. Hattersley, of the Victor Safe Company; B. C. Smith, of the Cincinnati Suspender Company; T. J. McFarlan, of the Dexter Lumber Company; C. F. Seaman, who is President of the Union of V. P. S. C. E.; A. C. Cattell; E. W. Jewell, of the Union Central Life Insurance Company; W. G. Brown, of the Cleveland Rubber Company; Wallace M. Davis, Superintendent of the Cincinnati Omnibus Company; W. J. Winterbottom, Superintendent of the Cincinnati Transfer Company; W. R. Johnson, the insurance man; Peter Brooks, the fruit dealer; Wesley A. Stewart, the chemist; H. J. Reedy,



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the elevator manufacturer; Julius Friedhorn, of the J. Wilder Co.; W. J. Ratliff, of the Roosa and Ratliff Chemical Co.; E. H. Murdoch, the insurance man; George S. Stevens, with the A. E. Burkhardt Co.; T. Lytle Sweeney, of the faculty of the Technical School; Charles W. Evans, the steel and iron factor;—these are but a few of the thousands who sing the praises of Norwood in the morning, afternoon and at eventide. Just above the village is "The Pines," the country home of Albert McCullough, part of whose place lies in Norwood. A. O. Russell, head of the world renowned firm of Russell, Morgan & Co., now the United States Printing Company, is the nearest neighbor of this famous floriculturist. He is a great disciple of Izaak Walton, one of the Cuvier regulars, and an authority on whist. The late Mrs. Helen J. Bowler built the first house in South Norwood, now occupied by Charles E. Slane and wife, nee Cora Bowler. C. F. Hesser, however, was the pioneer in that section, taking possession of his new home before the Bowlers moved in. While Norwood has its quota of men of note, there are also among Norwood's women some who have won renown. Mrs. R. C. Trivett is recognized with the foremost of the decorative artists of the day. The Woman's Building at the World's Fair contained evidences of her work, and the Arkansas Building was decorated by her. Scores of houses here and in other cities have been beautified by her. To literature, Mrs. S.



A. W. MAURER

W. Lloyd has been a prolific contributor, and some of her poems are gems. Many a house, beautiful in the borough, is replete with tributes to the artistic tastes of the reigning goddess of the home.

A STUDY IN WILD FLOWERS.

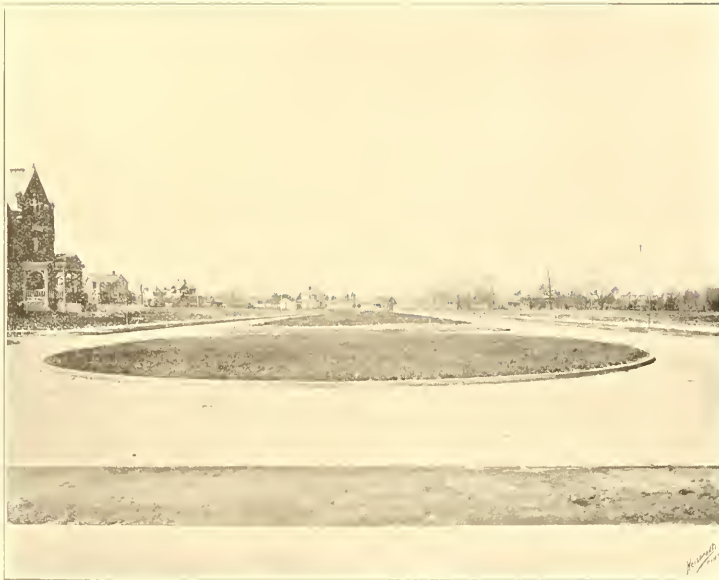
NORWOOD's future seems superlatively bright. Five years ago the most enthusiastic dreamer in the borough could not foresee the glorious tableau of to-day. The trend of progress is toward the hills and the rich valleys of old Columbia. As the grand settlement of homes increases, the sylvan spots, so purely reminiscent of the country, will grow rarer. Some of them should be spared for our children, and our children's children. Among all of Norwood's auxiliaries there is no Park Board and no immediate mission for one. Some years ago the suggestion was made to preserve the strip of woodland between the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern and Harris avenue, just east of Forest avenue. It was a grand idea then. It is a better one now. Perhaps in all of Norwood there is no wilder spot than that narrow tract. It is all hills and

hollows, with here and there a level stretch. Giants of the forest and the most modest wild flowers thrive there together. The beech, the walnut, the hickory, the locust, the sycamore, the poplar, and the buckeye are among the living delegates in the congregation of trees. Before Jack Frost has fairly been driven off the earth, Queen Flora's reign commences in that favored spot. The spring beauties, with their delicate blossoms, are among the first. Then comes the violet, here blue as the azure heavens above, and there, white as a bit of porcelain. Dog tooth lilies, with their gray striped petals, come early and go early. The heart-shaped blooms of the "Dutchman's breeches" and the pale, purple clusters of phlox, form a



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strange contrast. In the shadiest spots rock-moss abounds, its blossoms looking like a flowery Pleiades in a bed of malachite. The snowy bloom of the blood root is one of the prettiest of the treasures of the woods. The dog wood and red bud proudly contribute their share to the welcome of Spring. Later on the umbrella-shaped May apple takes its place in the procession with its waxy flowers whose lemon-tinted heart gives forth a sickening aroma. "Pepper and salt," the larkspur, the ground ivy with its tiny blue-eyed blossoms, not much larger than a pin head, the fragrant wild lilac — all these and more are the trophies that are to be gathered in a jaunt through this beautiful woodland spot. Ferns are plentiful, and when the autumn comes, the golden rod and purple aster abound there. Norwood is young. No Springer or no West has yet appeared to make his name a benediction that would ring through all the ages. Serpentine avenue is platted through this bit of forest; but it seems almost a sacrilege to despoil the place. It should be kept as a playground for the children of tomorrow and the day after. If philanthropy



PARK AVENUE, PAVED WITH ASPHALT BY THE WARREN-SCHARF COMPANY.

is enjoying too sound a nap, steps might be taken to acquire it by lease or purchase. The Norwood of the future would rise up and call the Norwood of the present blessed, if that beautiful spot were dedicated as "Norwood Park" to the people and their heirs forever.

Two Presidents.

UNCLE SAM has had his eye on Norwood, and while the United States has not yet called any of her citizens to jump into the administrative band wagon and handle the reins, half a dozen or more organizations of national importance have honored her citizens. For the third time in its history the American Ticket Brokers Association, at its meeting in Washington, in May, 1894, elected Henry C. Meader, as president. The O. K. and I. W. D. A., while being interpreted, means the Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana Wholesale Druggists Association, also elected a Norwood man to preside over its deliberations — N. Ashley Lloyd.



FOREST AVENUE TUNNEL BUILT BY D. FOLZ

THE COLD WATER TRIUMVIR.

THE Trustees of the Water Works are all prominent in business circles in Cincinnati. Dr. Alfred Springer, after finishing his education in the Public Schools, went to the University of Heidelberg, Germany, where he enjoyed the advantages of studying under the celebrated Professors Bunsen, Kirchhoff, Lossen, Arnold and Kuhne. In his eighteenth year he graduated with high honors, taking the degree Ph. D. and A. M. In 1873, Dr. Springer returned to Cincinnati, associating himself with Alex. Fries & Bros. In 1887, he was elected corresponding member of The British Association for Advancement of Science—an honor he still retains. In 1892, he was elected Vice-President of the American Association for Advancement of Science, and Chairman of the Chemical section. Dr. Springer has been President of



AARON McNEILL, HOPKINS AVENUE

the Cincinnati Chemical Society. His principal contributions to science are: The Discovery of the Nitrate Ferments in Decaying Plants, Dynamic Equilibrium in Poises Swinging in Opposite Arcs, High Center of Gravity to Overcome Torsional Resistance, and the Absence of High upper Inharmonic Partial in Aluminum. He has received over thirty patents for his inventions, including an aluminum violin. In October, 1892, the doctor moved to Norwood, and he has taken an active interest in all matters pertaining to the welfare of this growing suburb.

George Puchta is a grand specimen of a self made man. He is a Cincinnati boy, and from his youth he has thrived on hard work. In 1881, he entered the employ of Post & Co. as book keeper, and nine years later he was the head of the house, acquiring the supply department of the



GEORGE S. STEVENS, ALLISON STREET

business, and with F. X. Pund as his associate, the Queen City Supply Company entered upon a career that has been phenomenally successful. Mr. Puchta brought lots of energy into the board.

Henry Rikhoff, who served during the short and was then re-elected for the long term, is one of Cincinnati's best known furniture men. He is the head of the firm of H. Rikhoff & Co., is president of the Cincinnati Furniture Manufacturers' Association and third vice-president of the National Furniture Manufacturers' Association, and in 1892, served as secretary and treasurer of the latter. He left his native place, Covington, for Norwood, some years ago, and while residing across the bridge was the first treasurer of the Kentucky Council, C. K. of A. Mr. Rikhoff was one of the moving spirits in the Furniture Expositions at Music Hall.

The water works triumvir never held public office before, but no veterans ever made a better showing than they have done.

A FEW PERSONAL REMARKS.

When, by an emphatic vote, Norwood declared in favor of a water works system, the idea of a souvenir came



THE LOWLER HOMESTEAD, ASHLAND AND MONROE AVENUES

as an after thought. Twenty gentlemen went before council and asked that this work be accorded official recognition, and their communication met with favor. By resolution, introduced by Mr. Thomssen, council named Ren Mulford, Jr., and Werner G. Betty historians of the village, and the souvenir was thus officially made a part of the water works celebration.

The guarantors who made it possible for the work to gain such encouragement were H. C. Meader, C. E. Page, R. P. Bellsmith, Robert Leslie & Co., Moessinger, Fritsch & Hagle, J. C. Lloyd, Alfred Springer, F. D. Barker, A. McNeill, E. Mehmert, Wm. Windhorst, Henry Rikhoff, N. Ashley Lloyd Wallace M. Davis, E. W. Jewell, George Puchta, A. C. Strobel, W. W. Russell, H. J. Reedy and A. V. Reid. In the preparation of this volume, words of encouragement, backed by deeds, were numerous. No other village ever attempted a work of such magnitude, and to its success there were many contributors who have interesting stories of their own to tell in the closing pages of the book. It would not be just to say that all Norwood's friends are to be found in that chapter.



LEO DRESSEL, MONTGOMERY BOULEVARD.

for there are many others who now enjoy, and who have lent materially to the beauty, growth and development of Norwood, but those whose names are emblazoned on the advertising pages have emphasized their interest in Norwood, her homes and her people.

MARSHAL KEHOE'S REIGN.

Back in the old days when Norwood's souls numbered as many hundreds as they now do thousand, Gerald Kehoe was the village man of all work. Many was the role he filled during a week, and he starred in everything, from a landscape gardener to a gentleman who shoveled coal. When Norwood donned her first robes as a municipal baby, Gerald Kehoe was called into service as town marshal. Many are the stories told of his career in that office, and one of the best dates back to one Fourth of July. That morning, while Mayor Mc-



E. R. EDWARDS.

Nell) was quietly celebrating the Nation's birthday, Marshal Kehoe made his appearance, and informed his honor of a threatened raid of shell workers.

"There be a lot of 'em coming out this afternoon," declared the marshal, "and I think I'll made four extra policemen."

And so the mayor indorsed the plan for more protection, making the stipulation that the Marshal swear them in. Gathering the quartet of his chosen followers together Marshal Kehoe marched them to the town hall, where Clerk Wichgar happened to be at the moment. Arming his recruits with clubs, Marshal Kehoe got them in line, and proceeded to administer the oath of office:

"Hold up your right hands!" he commanded. (Four arms of assorted sizes were raised in the air.) "Do yez solemnly swear," continued the marshal, "to support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of Ohio." At this point he got off the constitutional track, but after a moment's pause, he concluded, in triumphant tones, "and do yez promise to serve the village of Norwood, as policemen, as you would afore God?"

The newly pledged officers swung their clubs all that day, but the shell workers changed their route and did not go through Norwood.

Norwood's Home Market.

While nearly every store of prominence in Cincinnati caters to Norwood, by running out special delivery wagons, the borough is well supplied with home talent. There are half a dozen groceries, several butchers, daily markets, three drug stores, tailorshops, bakeries, dry goods stores and candy shops. There are also daily deliveries of ice made.



THE WATER WORKS PUMPING STATION



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DELICATE in attractions, there is no more interesting place in the village than the brick works. That is Norwood's one great industry and it has added to the ever-increasing fame of the suburb. Located on the tract just above Duck Creek, and at the junction of the B. & O. S. W. railroad, there could be no improvement in situation, and a spur from the main track affords easy facilities for loading the output into the cars for transportation by rail. "The Norwood Brick" is famous, and the process of its manufacture, a pleasing study. The plant of the Cincinnati Pressed Brick Company embraces seventy-five acres of ground. As 650,000 bricks are figured to the acre, a foot deep, and excavations are made ten times that deep, there is clay enough there to last a hundred years or so! In its crude state the earth is of a yellowish hue, but the bricks come from the burning in exquisite tints of red ranging from dark to light pink. The clay shed is the first stopping point made in the art of manufacture. After the clay has been dried by ploughing and harrowing, it is carted into that spacious building to undergo a sweating process, as it lies piled up under cover waiting for the second operation. Over in one corner of this shed a pair of ponderous rollers, weighing two tons apiece, revolve in a great pan, and through its perforated bottom the clay, which has been dumped therein, sifts. The finer particles are carried automatically to a height of forty feet, by elevator cups, and emptied into the screen, which covers the hopper that feeds the brick making machine, while the coarser are returned to the dry pan to be ground once more under the heavy rollers. Not a drop of water is used, and from the dry powder there are pressed bricks, each one of which weighs seven and one-half pounds. Each brick undergoes a pressure of 150,000 pounds. The capacity of the machinery is 18,000 a day, and as the green bricks are automatically turned out, all it requires is help to move them away. They are taken direct to the kiln, the floor of which is a net work of flues, and there piled up in such a manner that the fire may have full play through them, when the torch is ready to be applied. There are five kilns at the plant, each with a capacity

of 200,000. With the kiln filled, comes the most important part of the work. Dry as those green bricks appear to be, there is nearly one-half pound of natural moisture in each one, and when the kiln is sealed, nearly fifty tons of water must be dried out before they are ready for the burning. This process is called "water smoking," and is a gradual one. Low wood fires are kept burning from eight to eleven days, for an intense heat at that stage would crack and ruin the product. With the water smoking ended, then comes the firing with oil. Crude petroleum is used and vaporized by jets of steam, a revolving current of flame roars through the kiln, without cessation, for eight or nine days. Hot is a mild sort of word to use. Old Belzelub himself would need a fan within that fiery furnace. In the burning there is an eight or nine inch contraction, and from the settle the watchers know when it is time to put out the fires. The cooling off is as gradual as the drying out; but when the kiln is ready to be emptied, the sorting of the bricks is the biggest single item in the whole cost of manufacture. No less than fifteen shades are revealed—so rich and warm that it seems almost impossible to believe that the tints are nature's own.

In addition to the "native output," a buff brick is also manufactured. It is made from a blue Indiana clay, the refuse from coal mines. Another novelty, a pink buff, is made from a central Ohio fire clay. In reds, buffs, browns and mottled all shapes of pressed brick can be had, and besides these about five million common bricks are made every year. When all the branches are in operation sixty men are employed, and it is a remarkable fact that since the plant was opened (not quite three years ago), nearly all the output has been used in Cincinnati and vicinity. "The Norwood brick" has found a home market and has not been obliged to seek outside channels of trade. The Cincinnati Pressed Brick Company is officered as follows: W. A. Barker, President; F. D. Barker, Vice-President, and J. H. Barker, Secretary and Treasurer. The first two named are residents of Norwood, and their handsome home, on Park avenue, can be put in evidence to prove the possibilities of architectural beauty when their pressed brick is used. The Norwood Pumping station, the Cincinnati Club House, on Walnut Hills; the Methodist Book Concern, Albert Chatfield's new home, on Madison pike; the Hotel Mms, the German Old Men's Home, in Avondale, and St. Philip's Church, on Race street, Cincinnati, are only a few of the buildings in which the Norwood brick predominates. The company's down-town office is at 59 West Fourth, in the Fosdick Building.



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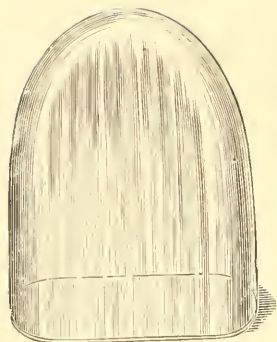
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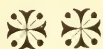
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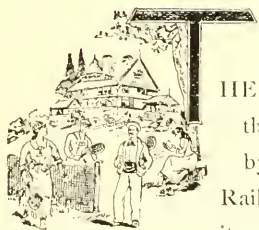
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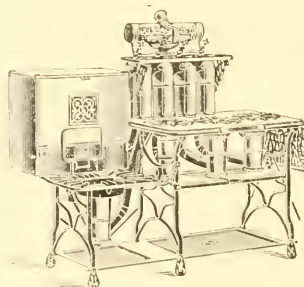
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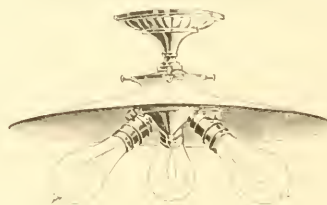
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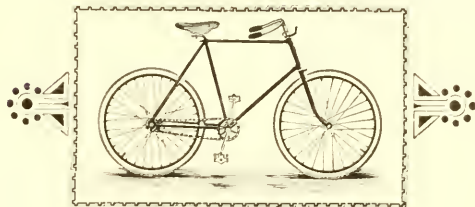
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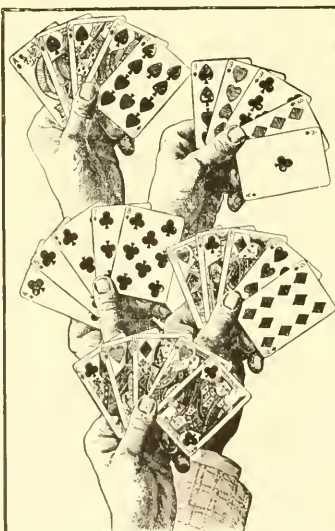
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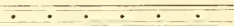
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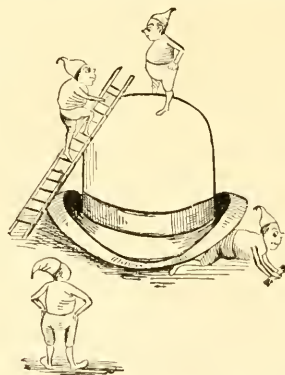
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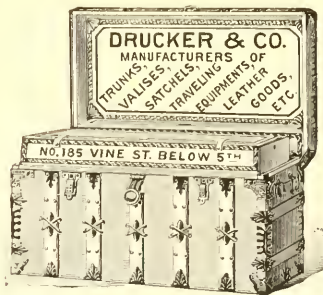


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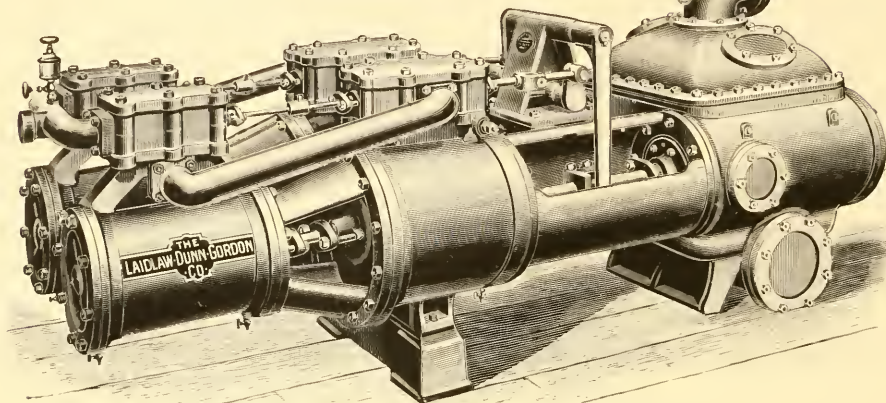
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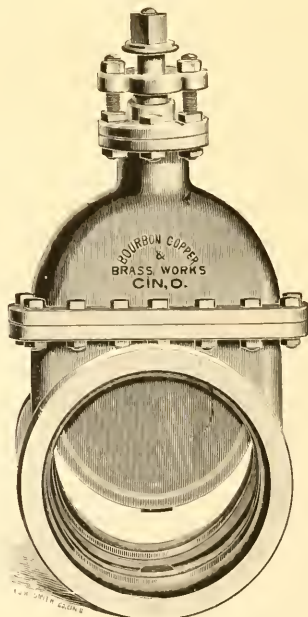
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